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MESSAGE FROM THE MINISTER

As Minister responsible for Regulatory Affairs, I am pleased to introduce Canadians to the government's Regulatory Plan for 1987.

This comprehensive document, the first regulatory plan ever prepared by a federal government, is another concrete step in the implementation of the Regulatory Reform Strategy enunciated by the government earlier this year. It reflects our goal of "regulating smarter".

As a key part of the Strategy, the government has adopted the Citizen's Code of Regulatory Fairness. It promises a full opportunity for Canadians to be informed in advance about regulatory initiatives and to participate in decisions affecting them. The purpose of the Regulatory Plan is to describe the regulatory actions being contemplated by the government for 1987 and to provide the name and telephone number of a contact person for each possible initiative. This reflects our goal of "regulating fairer".

The Plan contains over 700 regulatory proposals on the part of 25 federal departments and agencies. Several of these aim at streamlining or simplifying existing regulations; others are intended to facilitate compliance; some could mean less government intervention in specific regulatory sectors; and, others might translate into new or increased protection in the public interest.

I hope you will see this Plan as an invitation to work with the government at improving our regulatory environment in the best interests of Canadians.

Sincerely,

Barbara McDougall.

Barbara J. McDougall

INTRODUCTION TO THE 1987 REGULATORY PLAN

The publication of the 1987 Regulatory Plan is the outcome of the government's commitment in the Citizen's Code of Regulatory Fairness to provide adequate early notice of possible regulatory initiatives. In promoting more open government, the Plan informs the public about proposed federal regulatory action over the next calendar year. It provides the public with an opportunity to be informed of regulatory proposals at an early stage, and to participate by communicating comments to the indicated contact officials.

Regulatory proposals are to be considered only after full consultation with the public has occurred, and Ministers are to be fully informed about the results of these consultations when they make regulatory decisions.

It should be noted that, while plans are meant to inform the public about the government's regulatory intentions, they do not constitute formal undertakings or commitments by the federal government to initiate or change legislation and regulations.

Departmental Regulatory Plans

As part of the improved administration of regulations within the federal government, departments must now submit in the fall of each year a Regulatory Plan which outlines proposed regulatory initiatives for the upcoming calendar year. For 1987, departmental regulatory plans are intended to cover:

(1) statutes and policies with regulatory implications;

(2) regulations as defined in the Statutory Instruments Act which are made either by the Minister responsible or by the Governor in Council;

(3) other policy action that has the effect of regulating Canadian society or the economy.

Departments have been requested to provide the following information on each planned initiative which is categorized as major, minor or routine, depending on their importance in meeting departmental objectives and their overall impact:

(a) **Title of Proposal:** (to be used throughout public consultations and the development of the proposals).

(b) **Description:** a brief summary of the purpose and content of the proposal indicating why the proposal is being made, what is being proposed, and how it will be accomplished.

(c) **Statutory Authority:** the law which is the basis for the proposal.

(d) **Anticipated Impact:** the potential impact on parties subject to the regulation and more generally on the public and the economy as a whole.

(e) **Anticipated Date of Final Notice:** (publication in the Regulatory Bulletin).

(f) **Contact Person:** the name, title, and telephone number of the official who can be contacted for additional information by the public.

Based on public response to the 1987 Regulatory Plan format and approach, consideration will be given to modifying the scope of future annual plans to increase their usefulness as vehicles for "early notice" information and consultation concerning federal regulatory activities.

In order to encourage continuing public consultation, a number of departmental plans outline regulatory legislation and other policy initiatives for which policy approval has been given in principle, but for which actual legislation or policy change is not yet in place.

A limited number of regulatory initiatives which at present involve a Cabinet confidence or are exempted from publication in the Canada Gazette under the Statutory Instruments Act are not included in the 1987 Plan.

Requests for further information or comments on specific regulatory proposals can be directed to the responsible department's contact person identified at the end of individual plans. Members of the public who wish to make general suggestions and comments about the format, approach and other matters related to this publication are encouraged to address their views to:

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BACKGROUND TO THE 1987 REGULATORY PLAN
THE REGULATORY REFORM STRATEGY

As part of its program for economic renewal, the federal government announced a first-ever Regulatory Reform Strategy on February 13, 1986. The purpose of the Strategy is to contribute to better or "smarter" regulation.

"Smarter" regulation means:

- increased public information and participation in the federal regulatory process;
- increased control by Ministers and Parliament over regulation-making;
- greater efficiency and effectiveness in the management of federal regulations;
- minimum regulatory costs to the Canadian economy consistent with essential protection of the public.

In order to achieve these objectives the federal government has already taken the following action:

(a) Developed guiding principles which constitute the regulatory reform policy.

(b) Committed itself to opening the regulatory process to public scrutiny through a Citizen's Code of Regulatory Fairness.

(c) Established new institutions, including a Minister responsible for Regulatory Affairs, in order to promote better management and accountability within the federal regulatory system.

(d) Announced forty-three regulatory program reform initiatives on which individual Ministers responsible for some twenty departments and agencies have already or are undertaking action.

(e) Implemented the Regulatory Process Action Plan which streamlines and systematizes the federal regulatory system.

THE REGULATORY POLICY

The policy which guides federal regulatory action is aimed at promoting greater economic and administrative efficiency while maintaining the protection of the public. The following guiding principles, constituting the policy were announced on February 17, 1986:

(1) Regulation is and will remain a necessary and important instrument for achieving the government's social and economic objectives. However, the government intends to "regulate smarter".

(2) The government recognizes the vital role for an efficient marketplace and a dynamic entrepreneurial spirit and that regulation should not impede these values without the most persuasive justification.

(3) The government intends to limit as much as possible the overall rate of growth and proliferation of new regulation while protecting the public wherever appropriate.

(4) With regard to existing regulatory programs, priority will be placed on reforming ineffective or economically counter-productive regulation, but there will be no program of wholesale deregulation. On a case-by-case basis, there will be reduced regulation where the practical interests of the economy and job creation call for it, just as there will be improved and even intensified regulation where public protection requires it.

(5) Regulation entails social and economic costs and the government will evaluate these costs to ensure that benefits clearly exceed costs before proceeding with new regulatory proposals.

(6) Regulation is legislation and, as such, will be brought more fully under the control of elected government representatives and subject to more effective review by Parliament.

(7) The public has an important role to play in the development of regulation and the government will increase public access and participation in the regulatory process while simplifying procedures and restricting legalities to a minimum.

(8) The federal regulatory system will be streamlined and made more efficient and effective to reduce costs, uncertainties, and delays.

(9) The government will place priority on increased regulatory cooperation with the provinces with a view to addressing the overall regulatory burden on Canadians and eliminating wasteful duplication.

(10) A minister will henceforth be assigned specific responsibility for regulatory affairs including improved management of the system and overall implementation of the government's regulatory policy and reform strategy. Individual ministers with regulatory mandates will be responsible for implementing and exercising their responsibilities in conformity with the spirit and objectives of this policy.

THE CITIZEN'S CODE OF REGULATORY FAIRNESS

Regulation, or rule-making, happens when a government uses law to control or prevent certain types of human behaviour and backs it up with the threat of a sanction.

Regulations govern many aspects of life. For example, they determine automobile safety features, they define which drugs require prescriptions, and they set out criteria which dictate the types of programs that a television station can carry. All Canadians, therefore, are affected by regulations.

In the past, public involvement in regulation-making was not encouraged and the regulators were virtually unaccountable for their actions. Under the Regulatory Reform Strategy, the government wants this to change.

To that end, it introduced the Citizen's Code of Regulatory Fairness. The code is based on the principle that Canadians are entitled to know the government's policy as well as the criteria used for exercising regulatory power. It is intended to foster informed public scrutiny and judgement of the federal government's regulatory performance. In short, it establishes standards for "regulating the regulators".

The following are the fifteen (15) articles of the Citizen's Code:

(1) Canadians are entitled to expect that the government's regulation will be characterized by minimum interference with individual freedom consistent with the protection of community interests.

(2) The government will encourage and facilitate a full opportunity for consultation and participation by Canadians in the federal regulatory process.

(3) The government will provide Canadians with adequate early notice of possible regulatory initiatives.

(4) The government will take measures to ensure greater efficiency and promptness in discretionary and adjudicative regulatory decision-making.

(5) Once regulatory requirements have been established in law, the government will communicate to Canadians, in clear language, what the regulatory requirements are, and why they have been adopted.

(6) The rules, sanctions, processes, and actions of regulatory authorities will be securely founded in law.

(7) The government will ensure that officials responsible for developing, implementing or enforcing regulations are held accountable for their advice and actions.

(8) The government will take all possible measures to ensure that businesses of different size are not burdened disproportionately by the imposition of regulatory requirements.

(9) The government will ensure that the governments of the provinces and territories are given early notice of and an adequate opportunity to consult on federal regulatory initiatives affecting their interests.

(10) The government will not use regulation unless it has clear evidence that a problem exists, that government intervention is justified and that regulation is the best alternative open to the government.

(11) The government will ensure that the benefits of regulation exceed the costs and will give particularly careful consideration to all new regulation that could impede economic growth or job creation.

(12) The government will avoid introducing regulations that control supply, price entry, and exit in competitive markets except when overriding national interests are at stake.

(13) The sanctions and enforcement powers specified in federal regulatory legislation will be proportionate and appropriate to the seriousness of the violation.

(14) The government will enhance the predictability of the exercise of discretionary powers by federal regulatory authorities and ensure to the maximum extent possible inter-regional consistency in the administration of regulations.

(15) The government will encourage the public to exercise its duty to criticize ineffective or inefficient regulatory initiatives, and to offer suggestions for better or "smarter" ways of solving problems and achieving the government's social and economic objectives.

REGULATORY AGENCIES

Independent regulatory agencies are organizationally and legally independent of government departments. They make orders and regulations having a broad application over the sector they regulate. In addition to rule-making, they adjudicate specific issues which have been brought before them.

The 1987 Regulatory Plan presents the planned rule-making activities of the following federal regulatory agencies which have voluntarily provided 1987 plans:

- Atomic Energy Control Board (AECB)
- Canadian Human Rights Commission (CHRC)
- Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC)
- Canadian Transport Commission (CTC)
- National Energy Board (NEB)

The adjudicative activities of these and other federal regulatory agencies, such as specific licensing, rate change, and labour relations decisions, respond to private sector initiatives and cannot, therefore, be planned in advance. Readers are therefore encouraged to consult directly with the relevant agency to obtain information on adjudicative activities. In some instances, notices of these activities are published in Part I of the Canada Gazette.

The 1987 Regulatory Plan of the AECB, CHRC and NEB outline planned rule-making activities which are subject to approval by the Governor in Council and are therefore subject to the reforms of the Regulatory Process Action Plan. The 1987 Regulatory Plans of the CRTC and the CTC contain planned rule-making which can be adopted directly by these agencies and do not require the approval of the Governor in Council or of the Ministers responsible for these agencies.

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AGRICULTURE CANADA

Roles and Responsibilities

The Department of Agriculture's mandate is to provide assistance to the food, agricultural and forestry sectors of the economy in maximizing their contribution to the growth, development and stability of the Canadian economy.

To fulfill its role in the food and agriculture sectors, the department works with three principal client groups: producers and processors; distributors, wholesalers and retailers; and consumers. Services encourage or facilitate an economic environment conducive to exploitation of opportunities by the private sector in a manner that assures a dependable supply of safe, nutritious food at reasonable prices to consumers, and equitable returns to producers and processors.

To fulfill its role in the forestry sector the department works directly with the provinces and the forest industry to promote and improve the economic utilization of Canada's forest resources through environmentally sound forest management.

The following are the Acts which are administered by the Department of Agriculture:

- Advance Payments for Crops Act
- Agricultural Products Board Act
- Agricultural Products Cooperative Marketing Act
- Agricultural Products Marketing Act
- Agriculture Stabilization Act
- Animal Disease and Protection Act
- * Appropriations Acts
- Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act
- Canada Grain Act
- Canadian Dairy Commission Act
- Canadian Wheat Board Act
- Canagrex Act
- * Criminal Code
- Crop Insurance Act
- Department of Agriculture Act
- Experimental Farm Stations Act
- Farm Credit Act
- Farm Improvement Loans Act
- Farm Loans Interest Rebate Act
- Farm Products Marketing Agencies Act
- Farm Syndicates Credit Act
- Feeds Act
- Fertilizers Act
- * Financial Administration Act
- Forestry Development and Research Act

- Fruit, Vegetable and Honey Act
- Government Organization Act
- Grain Futures Act
- Hay and Straw Inspection Act
- Humane Slaughter of Food Animals Act
- Inland Water Freight Rates Act
- Livestock and Livestock Products Act
- Livestock Feed Assistance Act
- Livestock Pedigree Act
- Meat and Canned Foods Act
- Meat Import Act
- Meat Inspection Act
- Pest Control Products Act
- Pesticide Residue Compensation Act
- Plant Quarantine Act
- Prairie Farm Assistance Act
- Prairie Farm Rehabilitation Act
- Prairie Grain Advance Payments Seeds Act
- Two-Price Wheat Act
- Western Grain Stabilization Act

* Acts which themselves are not administered by the Department of Agriculture, but having one or more regulations which are.

AGRICULTURE CANADA
AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT BRANCH

ROUTINE INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **1 AGR - C 87**

1. Dairy Herd Inspection Fees Order.

Description

This amendment will increase the fees from $18 per cow per year to $20 per cow per year for herdowners enrolled on the Record of Performance (ROP) Dairy program. The minimum herd fee will increase from $450 to $500 per year.

The estimated cost of providing service to herds in all provinces outside Ontario for the year ending March 31, 1985 was $41 per cow. The increased fee schedule will maintain the support level at approximately fifty per cent (50%) of the program costs and assist in achieving cost recovery target levels for the program.

There is no sunset provision included.

A similar amendment increasing the fees to $22 per cow, minimum herd fee of $550 may be submitted in 1987 to achieve cost recovery target levels for the program.

Negotiations are currently under way with provincial or regional producer organizations which should lead to the privatization of the ROP Dairy program by March 31, 1989. The Dairy Herd Inspection Fees Order will be eliminated once these privatization initiatives are finalized.

Statutory Authority

Minister of Agriculture Authority to Prescribe Fees Order. Financial Administration Act.

Anticipated Impact

It is anticipated that two to five per cent (2-5%) of the herdowners currently enrolled on the ROP program will withdraw and transfer to less expensive Owner-Sampler programs at the time of their anniversary dates. These herdowners can obtain testing service on these alternative milk recording programs.

The impact may be slightly higher in the Atlantic region where herd sizes tend to be smaller.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **2 AGR - C 87**

2. a) Saskatchewan Pulse Crop (Interprovincial and Export) Order
   b) Ontario Fresh Potato Growers (Interprovincial and Export) Order
   c) Quebec South Maple Products (Interprovincial and Export) Order
   d) Various other delegation orders throughout 1987 instigated by Provincial Commodity Marketing Boards, of which 73 currently operate under APMA.

Description

a) Delegation of authority to regulate the marketing of pulse crops produced in Saskatchewan, in interprovincial and export trade.
b) Delegation of authority to regulate the marketing of Ontario produced fresh potatoes in interprovincial and export markets.
c) Delegation of authority to regulate the marketing of maple products produced in the Quebec-South region, in interprovincial and export markets.
d) Delegation of authority to regulate the marketing of various commodities in interprovincial and export markets.

Statutory Authority

Agricultural Products Marketing Act.

Anticipated Impact

a) Saskatchewan Pulse Crop Development Board will have authority to regulate the marketing of pulse crops grown in Saskatchewan.
b) Orderly marketing of Ontario grown fresh potatoes in interprovincial and export markets.
c) Efficient and orderly marketing and increased market access for Quebec maple products in interprovincial and export trade.
d) Improvement in the marketing systems for agricultural products in interprovincial and export trade.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Various dates.

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CANADIAN WHEAT BOARD

ROUTINE INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **3 AGR - C 87**

3. Final Payments for CWB Grains.

Description

Governor in Council approval for the amounts of per-tonne final payments (which represent the balance of revenues from the year's marketing operations) to be made to grain producers for specified grades.

The effective date for these orders is January 1987. No sunset provisions are included.

Statutory Authority

Canadian Wheat Board Act.

Anticipated Impact

Income paid to grain producers from CWB selling operations.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **4 AGR - C 87**

4. Initial Payments for CWB Grains.

Description

The government provides guaranteed initial payments to Western producers on their deliveries of wheat, oats and barley to the CWB each crop year. Initial payments for base grades (currently six in number) are fixed by regulation and for the remainder of the grades, approval by Governor in Council of the sums to be paid is requisite.

These payments become effective August 1, 1987. No sunset provisions are included.

Statutory Authority

Canadian Wheat Board Act.

Anticipated Impact

The initial payments provide the bulk of the returns to western producers on their commercial sales of wheat, oats and barley.

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Title of Proposal **5 AGR - C 87**

5. Canadian Wheat Board Separate Account Transactions.

Description

Undistributed balances remaining in CWB pool accounts are transferred annually into a separate account. Appropriations are made periodically from the separate account for payment to producers entitled to receive such and for use by the CWB to the benefit of grain producers. Transfers and appropriations are subject to approval of Governor in Council. It is anticipated that GIC approval will be sought for appropriations to defray the expenses of such CWB activities as market development, general promotion, trade missions and administration of the Prairie Grain Advance Payments Act.

There will be no sunset provisions included.

Statutory Authority

Canadian Wheat Board Act.

Anticipated Impact

Separate Account funds are CWB funds and are used for payments to grain producers and to finance activities of benefit to grain producers.

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FOOD PRODUCTION AND INSPECTION BRANCH

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **6 AGR - A 87**

6. Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Regulations - amendments.

Description

Amend the regulations to provide for establishing increasing inspection fees on an annual basis until 1990, in accordance with the government's cost recovery policy, and as agreed to by the Canadian Horticultural Council and Canadian Fruit Wholesalers Association, which represent nationally the Canadian producers and wholesalers of fresh fruit and vegetables.

These amendments have been developed through negotiations with these industry representatives and will result in appropriate funds for the fresh fruit and vegetable inspections program.

An effective date of April 1, 1987 for these regulatory amendments is the objective. This proposal includes sunset provisions.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

It is anticipated that at current inspection volumes and costs, revenue from inspection fees will be around $4.3 million by 1990-91. There will be insignificant cost increases for consumers resulting from the fee increases. The impact on producers will be significant, as they will bear the full cost of the fee increases, since to maintain their current competitive position on domestic and export markets, they are reluctant to attempt to pass these added costs forward to consumers.

Anticipated Date of Pre-Publication

January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **7 AGR - A 87**

7. Cost Recovery Regulations - Hog, Beef, Veal, Lamb and Mutton.

Description

The department introduced cost recovery for livestock carcass grading in August 1985. Rates were established at 20 cents per beef carcass graded and nine cents per carcass graded for hog, veal, or lamb and mutton carcasses. These rates permit the recovery of approximately one-third of the program cost.

The department and industry have since agreed to the principle of full proportionate cost recovery being phased in over the next four-year period. By 1990 the rates for beef, hog, veal, and lamb and mutton grading would be 30 cents, 15 cents, 15 cents, and 15 cents per carcass respectively. It was further agreed that the costs would be shared by producers and packers on an equal basis where grading is required for producer settlement.

The proposal incremental cost recovery rate increases would come into effect as soon as possible following the first anniversary date (August 1986) and would be in effect until March 31, 1990.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

Full proportionate cost recovery for livestock grading will be achieved by 1990. The long term implementation period will minimize industry uncertainty and will permit industry to extensively evaluate all options (i.e. privatization). Fee increases are on a per carcass basis and therefore there will be no disproportionate effects on abattoirs due to location or volume of kill.

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Title of Proposal **8 AGR - A 87**

8. Amendment to the Seeds Regulations.

Description

This proposal for fee increases for seeds other than seed potatoes is being made as part of the department's initiative to meet the cost recovery target set by the Minister of Finance in the November 8, 1984 Economic Statement.

Fee increases are being proposed for seed field crop inspection, grading, tagging and sealing and seed testing. These increases will be phased in over the period of 1987-1990, at the end of which full proportional cost recovery for these services will have been achieved. Partial cost recovery is already in effect for these services, and the progressive increases are expected to go into effect on April 1 of each year until 1990. No sunset clause is planned.

Statutory Authority

Seeds Act.

Anticipated Impact

As a result of the fee increases, industry may choose to privatize some or all of these services. The department's long-term cost recovery plan calls for industry to assume responsibility for hands-on quality assurance inspections and grading, either through privatization or full proportional cost recovery. Industry is being given the choice of which option or combination of options it wishes to pursue.

The greatest impact of the fee increases will be on seed growers, who will be faced with the increased inspection costs while grain prices remain depressed. An impact analysis which was carried out in the 1985-86 round fee increases, however, indicated no adverse effect on seed growers. The department is ever mindful of the ability of the client to pay, and the full proportional cost recovery fee has been derived after careful consideration of the percentage of the economic benefits accruing to the client.

Commensurate with the increase in fees, industry has indicated that it will expect improved service and the Seed Program has recently undergone a management review to address this expectation in a positive way.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **9 AGR - A 87**

9. Amendment to the Seeds Regulations.

Description

This proposal for fee increases for seed potato inspection and grading under the Seeds Regulations is being made as part of the department's initiatives to meet the cost recovery targets set by the Minister of Finance in the Economic Statement of November 8, 1984.

Fee increases are being proposed for seed potato field crop inspection and grading. These increases will be phased in over the period 1987-1990, at the end of which full proportional cost recovery for these services will have been achieved. Cost recovery for these services was introduced in 1985, and the progressive increases are expected to go into effect on April 1 of each year until 1990. No sunset provision is planned.

Statutory Authority

Seeds Act.

Anticipated Impact

The seed potato industry as a whole has indicated that it will expect improved service as fees increase and, to this end, a management review of the Seed Potato Program, conducted jointly by department and industry representatives, was completed in May 1986, and the review team's recommendations are now being put into place.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

February 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **10 AGR - A 87**

10. Amendment to the Seeds Regulations.

Description

The purpose of this amendment is to provide for the advertising of seed. The Seed Regulations presently prohibit the use of variety names in labelling of seed packages unless the seed is of pedigree status. This requirement provides assurance to farmers, through the pedigree system, that the varieties being purchased are true to type. However, parallel restrictions in advertising varieties do not exist because, until recent amendments to the Seeds Act in December 1985, there was no statutory authority to regulate advertising. Amendments to the regulations are currently being drafted which will impose parallel restrictions in advertising as now exists in labelling of seed packages.

Anticipated date of implementation is January 1987. No sunset provision is planned.

Statutory Authority

Seeds Act.

Anticipated Impact

Farmers would be given added assurance that varieties purchased on the basis of advertisements are true to type. This should have a positive effect on agricultural production through use of unadulterated seed of improved varieties. Since good seed of superior varieties provide the basis for export of grains exceeding $4 billion per year, a positive impact on exports can also be expected. Provincial goverments support this amendment because it will enhance their efforts in varietal recommendation to farmers. A small group of seed producers who currently advertise non-pedigree seed by variety name have raised, and will continue to raise, objections to these amendments.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **11 AGR - A 87**

11. Amendments to the Seeds Regulations Part II. Seed Potatoes.

Description

The amendments will set out conditions for inspection of crops, inspection and storage of seed potatoes, issuance of crop certificates, official tags, bulk movement certificates and for importation of seed from the United States. There will also be provisions for establishing new grades and standards which will result in improved quality of seed potatoes. The amendments will reflect technological developments in seed potato certification during the past 20 years.

The first phase of implementation of these regulations is expected to commence in September 1987. No sunset provision is planned.

Statutory Authority

Seeds Act.

Anticipated Impact

The new regulations will result in improved quality of seed potatoes for national and international markets. It will favor market maintenance and expansion for seed potatoes produced not only in Prince Edward Island and New Brunswick, the major producing provinces, but also in Alberta, British Columbia, and other provinces. The standards and inspection procedures for seed potatoes would be better defined and less subjective and would benefit both growers and buyers.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

April 1987.

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Title of Proposal **12 AGR - A 87**

12. Amendments to the Seeds Regulations.

Description

The purpose of this amendment is to provide for the bonding of imported seed. Presently seed being imported into Canada can move under bond to the warehouse of the importer until officially released for sale in Canada. The bonding arrangements occur under the authority of the Customs Act administered by Revenue Canada, but official release of the seed and advice on cancellation of bonds are done by inspectors of Agriculture Canada. Official release of the seed for sale is contingent on it meeting the minimum quality standards. This protects Canada from unwanted weeds and pests and ensures that inferior quality seed is not dumped on the Canadian market. The release process is inefficient and results in unnecessay delays and duplication of efforts by officials of Revenue Canada and Agriculture Canada. Recent amendments to the Seeds Act provide the necessary authority for bonding seed. However, regulations must be put into place before this can be done.

The expected date of implementation is September 1987. No sunset provision is planned.

Statutory Authority

Seeds Act.

Anticipated Impact

The release of imported seed to the importer will be more rapid and efficient, and duplication of efforts by Agriculture Canada and Revenue Canada will be eliminated. The bonding procedure could be made more flexible in response to the needs of importers.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

June 30, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **13 AGR - A 87**

13. Amendment to Fertilizers Regulations.

Description

A regulation will be added under Section 18 of the Fertilizers Regulations to introduce a one-to-two day sale period for hizobium preinoculated seed. The purpose of this proposal is to reduce poor performance generally associated with preinoculated seed, especially when sold many days after preinoculation. Records of performance on inoculants over the last five years have indicated a general trend with preinoculated seed which shows a high level of non-sustained results. Therefore, farmers are paying for a product and service that is not returning increased yields as expected. This regulation will require that the sale limit be specified on the label.

Implementation is expected early in 1988. No sunset provision has been included.

Statutory Authority

Fertilizers Act.

Anticipated Impact

Increase in production costs for seed treatment plants which will have to make more batches and incur more warehousingof seed. Increased paperburden for industry as there may be an increase in the number of products to register.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

December 1987.

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Title of Proposal **14 AGR - A 87**
14. Amendment to the Seeds Regulations.

Description

The purpose of this regulation is to protect farmers and Canadian agriculture by controlled importation of unregistered varieties of unknown agronomic merit. Presently the Seeds Act prohibits the sale, advertisement and importation of unregistered varieties into Canada except under special situations stipulated in the regulations. The special situations include research, importation for own use, or production of seed for export. There have been certain abuses to the present regulations and the amendments are intended to correct these. More specifically, the amendments will require prior authorization to import these varieties.

These regulations are planned to be implemented by July 1, 1987. No sunset provision is planned.

Statutory Authority

Seeds Act.

Anticipated Impact

Unauthorized and illegal importations of unregistered varieties will be curbed but importations for research, seeing by the importer, or production of seed for export, will continue without impediment. Provincial governments have expressed strong concerns about illegal importation of unregistered varieties because of the negative impact on yields, and interference with the marketing of registered varieties. These proposed amendments have been published in the regulatory agenda and no negative comments have been received.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **15 AGR - A 87**
15. Amendments to the Seed Regulations.

Description

The seed industry has requested certain changes to the Seed Regulations which apply to standards for lawn grass seeds and ergot. These changes will render the regulations less strict and therefore are deregulatory in nature.

Anticipated date for implementation is July 1, 1987. No sunset provision is planned.

Statutory Authority
Seeds Act.

Anticipated Impact
These amendments would make the standards less restrictive and would facilitate commercialization of grass and lawngrass seed.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
February 1987.

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Title of Proposal **16 AGR - A 87**
16. Amendment to the Seeds Regulations.

Description
This amendment deals with quality standards for seeds. Seed is presently graded on the basis of purity (weed seeds, other crop seeds), germination and disease standards which are set out in the Seeds Regulations. In addition, other quality factors, such as colour, 1,000 kernel weight and undesirable seeds are used in grading but are set out in a document entitled "Quality Requirements for Seed Grades" published by the department in 1965. This document has been recently reviewed in consultation with the seed industry and provincial governments and there has been agreement on changes to be made. Amendment to the regulations will be needed to legally recognize this document and the standards contained therein.

These regulations are expected to be implemented by July 1, 1987. No sunset provision is planned.

Statutory Authority
Seeds Act.

Anticipated Impact
The new standards will be less strict than the present ones, because there is general agreement that these quality factors are not as important in determining the

quality of seed as other factors such as purity and germination. This will allow some seeds which were downgraded to substandard grades to have higher grades. This amounts to removal of stringent restrictions on sale of seed because they are not justified.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **17 AGR - A 87**

17. Amendment to the Seeds Regulations.

Description

This proposal deals with the establishment of standards for seed-borne diseases. The Seeds Act provides authority for the Governor in Council to establish standards to control diseases that affect the quality of seeds and the yield of crops. Presently the regulations contain standards for only a few diseases, whereas a large number of others are either unregulated or handled by administrative procedures.

A review of the seed-borne diseases that affect seed quality is currently under way and standards for other diseases are expected to be implemented by July 1, 1987. No sunset provision is planned.

Statutory Authority

Seeds Act.

Anticipated Impact

The establishment of additional standards for important seed-borne diseases will have a positive impact on agricultural production and crop quality. There may also be savings to farmers in the use of pesticides to control these diseases. Provinces have expressed strong support for the establishment of a comprehensive list of seed-borne diseases and standards to control them. The seed industry also supports this principle but would like to see the standards established at levels which do not unduly restrict trade.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **18 AGR - A 87**

18. Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Regulations - amendments.

Description

Amend the regulations to revoke sections permitting the Director, Dairy, Fruit and Vegetable Division, to authorize certain exemptions to import, export and interprovincial movement requirements.

The revocation of these provisions is necessary as they are regarded to be an improper sub-delegation of authority to the Director.

An effective date of April 1, 1987 for these regulatory amendments is the objective. There are no sunset provisions included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

The movement of fresh fruit and vegetables in bulk or below prescribed grade standards for processing purposes will be totally prohibited. Produce will only be permitted movement meeting all requirements of grade, packaging and labelling. Repackers and processors will suffer increased costs for raw product, and consumers will pay more for produce. More prepackaged imported produce will enter the Canadian market, displacing produce previously packaged or processed in Canada. Some businesses may not remain competitive and may cease operations.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **19 AGR - A 87**

19. Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Regulations - amendments.

Description

Amend the regulations to establish standards for fresh fruit and vegetables to be imported in bulk, for repacking or processing purposes.

These amendments are being proposed on behalf of the Canadian horticultural industry to permit bulk importation of fresh produce for repacking and processing purposes.

The regulations will relate to product grade standards, packaging and yearly compliance periods.

An effective date of April 1, 1987 is the objective for these regulatory amendments. There are no sunset provisions included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

This proposal will ensure continued access for Canadian repackers and processors to supplies of imported produce at competitive prices, maintain a viable Canadian component of the horticulture industry, contribute to employment in Canada and contribute to lower food prices.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **20 AGR - B 87**

20. Dairy Products Regulations - amendment.

Description

This proposed amendment establishes cost recovery fees for the grading and inspection of dairy products for the purpose of resolving trade disputes.

Implementation of the proposal is expected by April 1, 1987. Sunset provisions are not included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

This proposed amendment will implement the federal government's policy of cost recovery in the area of adjudication grading and inspection, and while an expense, should be within the capability of the industry. While the cost of any fees collected from industry will probably be passed on to consumers, at present, the expense of adjudication grading is borne indirectly by the taxpayer. Any increase to consumers would be minimal.

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Title of Proposal **21 AGR - B 87**

21. Dairy Products Regulations - amendment.

Description

This proposed amendment seeks to adopt by reference, those requirements of the Food and Drug Regulations that are appropriate and applicable to dairy products.

Implementation of the proposal is expected by April 30, 1987. Sunset provisions are not included with the proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

This proposed amendment will enhance and support activities of the inspection staff and will provide an added measure of protection to consumers, and in general, will increase the effectiveness of inspection activities. No increase in costs is expected.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **22 AGR - B 87**

22. Dairy Products Regulations - amendment.

Description

This proposed amendment requires that butter and cheddar cheese packed in bulk be grade marked.

Implementation of the proposal is expected by April 1, 1987. Sunset provisions are not included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

This proposed amendment will result in some additional work and expense for the trade, but will help establish a basis for trade and for verification of quality.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

December 1, 1986.

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Title of Proposal **23 AGR - B 87**

23. Dairy Products Regulations - amendment.

Description

This proposed amendment will exempt exported dairy products from having to meet composition, size or labelling requirements of the regulations, providing that the deviations are acceptable to the parties concerned and to the authorities of the importing country, and that the product and the foregoing certification is subject to verification by Agriculture Canada.

Implementation of the proposal is expected by September 30, 1987. Sunset provisions are not included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

This proposed amendment will enable the industry to accept and fill export contracts for dairy products which by terms of the contract, do not meet domestic requirements. In that product and contract specifications will be subject to verification by Agriculture Canada this will provide inspectors with the mandate to apply inspection procedures.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
July 1987.

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Title of Proposal **24 AGR - B 87**
24. Dairy Products Regulations - amendment.

Description
These proposed amendments would provide a maximum and minimum range of milkfat content in part-skim cheese and would provide for the use of "Light" or "Part-Skim". nomenclature for non-standardized cheese varieties having a milkfat content of more than 7 per cent milkfat and less than 20 per cent milkfat.

Implementation of the proposal is expected by March 1, 1987. Sunset provisions are not included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority
Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact
This proposed amendment will make provision for the manufacture and marketing of part-skim cheese in which some consumers and nutritionists are quite interested, while at the same time, cheddar cheese and the other established standardized varieties will be protected, in that part-skim versions of these standardized varieties will not be allowed.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
December 1986.

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Title of Proposal **25 AGR - B 87**
25. Maple Products Regulations - amendment.

Description
This amendment will establish fees for the export certification of maple products. The basic fee will be

$50 for the first hour or part thereof, plus a fee of $25 for each hour after the first hour. These new fees are part of the department's cost recovery initiatives.

It is planned that these new fees will come into effect in December 1986. There are no sunset provisions included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

The amendment is part of the department's cost recovery initiatives.

As per the Canadian maple industry request, the export certification of maple products will still be mandatory and available at a reasonable cost. Nevertheless, it will increase the paperburden and cost of Canadian exports.

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Title of Proposal **26 AGR - B 87**

26. Honey Regulations - amendment.

Description

This amendment will establish fees for export certification of honey. The basic fee will be $50 for the first hour or part thereof, plus a fee of $25 for each hour after the first hour. These new fees are part of the department's cost recovery initiatives.

It is planned that these new fees will come into effect in December 1986. There are no sunset provisions included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

This amendment is part of the department's cost recovery initiatives.

As per the Canadian Honey Council request, the export certification of honey will still be mandatory and available at a reasonable cost. Nevertheless, it will increase the paperburden and cost of Canadian exports.

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Title of Proposal **27 AGR - B 87**

27. Processed Products Regulations - amendment.

Description

This amendment will remove the mandatory aspect of the export certification, except for frozen blueberries, exported to places other than United States and it will establish fees for export certification. The basic fee will be $50 for the first hour or part thereof, plus a fee of $25 for each hour after the first hour. These new fees are part of the department's cost recovery initiatives.

It is planned that these new fees will come into effect in December 1986. There are no sunset provisions included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

The amendment is part of the department's cost recovery initiatives.

Export certification will still be available, at a reasonable cost, for those industry groups which need certification to establish new export markets.

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Title of Proposal **28 AGR - B 87**

28. Rewrite of Meat Inspection Regulations.

Description

Passage of a new Meat Inspection Act in 1985 has led to the need for a revision of the existing regulations in some areas. In addition, a rewrite of several sections is required to correct existing errors and complexities. Also some redrafting is required as part of the effort to make commodity regulations administered by Agriculture Canada as uniform and easy to follow as possible.

Rather than adopt a piecemeal approach, a complete rewrite is proposed. It is anticipated that this will be completed by April 1987. There will be no sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Meat Inspection Act.

Anticipated Impact

The impact will be mainly on the meat industry, since the regulations set out standards for registered establishments and for meat products entering interprovincial and international trade.

The impact will be limited since the essential provisions will be similar to those in effect at the present time. For those companies dealing with other agricultural commodities, adherence to a uniform approach and wording with other commodity regulations will simplify matters.

Canadian consumers will continue to enjoy a supply of safe and unadulterated meat products from domestic and foreign sources.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

April 1987.

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Title of Proposal **29 AGR - B 87**

29. Amend the Shell Egg Regulations.

Description

To cost recover domestic inspection and certification services in response to the government's policy of charging fees for certain services. The regulations will contain a schedule of hourly rates and clients will be charged accordingly for services performed.

The effective date is November 1986 and there is no sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impacts

The certification ensures that product purchased meets the product quality standards for which the users are paying. The cost to the users of the service will be determined by the amount of product they wish to certify. Product can still move freely without certification. No increase in resources is required as the existing inspectors will continue to perform the service. The service is designed to be fully cost recovered and benefits would be immediate upon implementation.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

November, 1986.

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Title of Proposal **30 AGR - B 87**

30. Amendment to the Seeds Regulations.

Description

The purpose of this amendment is to provide for the legal recognition of Canola. "Canola" has been trademarked by the Canola Council of Canada for oilseed rape or rapeseed with special chemical characteristics. The Canola Council felt that the word "rape" was too vulgar a term to facilitate commercialization of the product and have asked that the department legally recognize the name in all its statutes. There is resistance in foreign countries, particularly the United States, to recognizing the name "Canola" unless it is legally recognized in Canada.

This regulation is expected to be implemented in November 1986 or soon thereafter. No sunset provision is planned.

Statutory Authority

Seeds Act.

Anticipated Impact

According to the Canola Council of Canada legal recognition of the name "Canola" would facilitate commercialization of the product in international markets and increase exports.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

November 1986.

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Title of Proposal 31 AGR - B 87

31. Amendment to the Seeds Regulations.

Description

The purpose of this amendment is to provide for the multiplication of seed under contract. Recent amendments to the Seeds Act were made in which sale of seed was expanded to specifically include all multiplication and seed under contract. Since contractual agreements are somewhat different from normal sale transactions, certain exemptions are needed in the Seeds Regulations to legitimize current practices employed in contractual multiplication of seed.

This amendment is expected to be implemented on July 1, 1987. No sunset provision is planned.

Statutory Authority

Seeds Act.

Anticipated Impact

The amendment would legitimize long-standing practices for contractual multiplication of seed and establish a new set of rules under which such multiplication can occur.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal 32 AGR - B 87

32. Amendment to the Race Track Supervision Regulations.

Description

From time to time as circumstances require, to add/delete substances to/from the schedule of drugs in the Race Track Supervision Regulations.

These amendments do not contain sunset provisions.

Statutory Authority
Criminal Code, Section 188.

Anticipated Impact
Protection for the pari-mutuel betting public from horses competing while under influence of drugs will be maintained.

Horsemen/veterinarians will be kept informed of which substances to avoid when treating horses before races.

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Title of Proposal **33 AGR - B 87**
33. Amendment to the Race Track Supervision Regulations.

Description
Subsection 147(1) change "...the payout prices as posted..." to "... betting commences...". To remove requirement of coupling bets after betting starts. This procedure cannot be completed by some computer systems. It requires manual manipulations, which are subject to error.

This amendment is expected to come into effect in Spring 1987. There will be no sunset provisions.

Statutory Authority
Criminal Code, Section 188.

Anticipated Impact
Will provide racing associations relief from a manual procedure currently causing difficulty to computerized betting system. No negative consequences to public. No additional costs to industry, public or government.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
March 1987.

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Title of Proposal **34 AGR - B 87**
34. Order in Council to Adjust the Supervision Levy.

Description

From time to time, as circumstances require, to adjust the Supervision Levy payable to the Receiver General.

There will be no sunset provisions.

Statutory authority

Criminal Code, Section 188.

Anticipated Impact

Compliance with government direction. No significant impact on public or racing industry.

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Title of Proposal **35 AGR - B 87**

35. Dairy Products Regulations - amendment.

Description

This proposed amendment will establish more firmly that: a completed "Declaration for Customs Entry" form is required for standardized products as well as graded products; graded products as well as standardized products have to be prepared in a registered establishment in order to move inter-provincially or for export; the symbol (S) will be placed after some section numbers to indicate that the section constitutes a standard. The wording of the definition of "package cheese", plus other sections will be improved, and changes of an editing nature will be made.

Implementation of this proposal is expected by September 30, 1987. Sunset provisions are not included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

The proposed amendments will lessen uncertainty as to whether several requirements are applicable to both graded and standardized products, will confirm that certain sections constitute standards, and will make the changed provisions easier to read and understand.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
July 1987.

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Title of Proposal **36 AGR - B 87**
36. Dairy Products Regulations - amendment.

Description
This proposed amendment provides for the use of whey protein concentrate in products such as ice cream and processed cheese products and allows casein and caseinates in small, functional proportions to frozen dairy products, and butter spreads.

Implementation of the proposal is expected by April 30, 1987. Sunset provisions are not included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority
Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact
The use of whey protein concentrate in processed cheese products plus the limited use of casein and caseinates in frozen dairy products and butter spreads should improve the body and texture of these products, with little or no increase in cost to the consumer.

Anticipated Date of pre-publication
January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **37 AGR - B 87**
37. Dairy Products Regulations - amendment.

Description
This proposed amendment provides for the optional use of grades in the case of low density skim milk powder, buttermilk powder, whey powder, acid-type whey powder, blends of skim milk and whey powders, edible acid casein, and edible caseinates packed in bulk.

Implementation of the proposal is expected by April 30, 1987. Sunset provisions are not included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority
Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact
This proposed amendment should facilitate the marketing of these products in that shipments would not need to be held up for grade results.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **38 AGR - B 87**
38. Dairy Products Regulations - amendment.

Description
This proposed amendment will eliminate or reduce some labelling requirements on some dairy products packed in bulk and will require the name and address of the manufacturer to be printed on the shipping cases of evaporated milk.

Implementation of the proposal is expected by April 30, 1987. Sunset provisions are not included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority
Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act

Anticipated Impact
This proposed amendment will make it easier to label bulk skim milk powder and will avoid delays in shipment while awaiting results of heat treatment tests. The registration number on the cases of evaporated milk will facilitate identification and sorting of containers.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **39 AGR - B 87**

39. Dairy Products Regulations - amendment.

Description

This proposed amendment will allow one per cent more moisture in Canada I Whole Milk Powder that has been instantized.

Implementation of the proposal is expected by April 30, 1987. Sunset provisions are not included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

This proposed amendment accommodates the extra moisture introduced by the instantizing process and will enable the trade to capitalize on new technology by greatly increasing the convenience of using whole milk powder in the home, and thereby expanding the market for this product. Usage of reconstituted whole milk powder should result in a saving over the cost of fresh, fluid whole milk.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **40 AGR - B 87**

40. Dairy Products Regulations - amendment.

Description

This proposed amendment will simplify and improve the grade standards for butter and cheddar cheese, by allowing only one flavour defect in Canada 2 grade, whereas at present, two are allowed. The solubility index requirement for whey powder and acid-type whey powder are now considered inappropriate and will be deleted. A few more defects will be recognized and listed for butter and cheddar cheese.

Implementation of this proposal is expected by April 30, 1987. Sunset provisions are not included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

This proposed amendment will result in more meaningful grade standards and should not result in a burden or expense to the trade.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **41 AGR - B 87**

41. Dairy Products Regulations - amendment.

Description

This proposed amendment will reduce the allowable transmittance of light in the standard for butter wrappers, while permitting plastic containers and plastic wrappers to meet the present, less rigorous standard, providing an appropriate durable life date appears on the package.

Implementation of the proposal is expected by April 30, 1987. Sunset provisions are not included with this proposal.

Statutory authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

This proposed amendment will help improve the quality of prepackaged butter by reducing the allowable transmittance of light in butter wrappers, thereby reducing the development of oxidized flavours, and by requiring the durable life date on plastic containers which do not meet the more rigorous standard.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **42 AGR - B 87**

42. Dairy Products Regulations - amendment.

Description

This proposed amendment involves standardizing the fat and moisture content of the following cheese varieties: Quark, Neufchatel and St. Paulin; amending the present fat and moisture standards for St. Jorge and Harzer Kase; and establishing the name of Monterey Jack cheese in the table listing standardized varieties.

Implementation of this proposal is expected by April 30, 1987. Sunset provisions are not included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

This proposed amendment will have the effect of exempting the varieties being newly standardized from having to have descriptive nomenclature on the label, and the amendment of some compositional standards will make them closer to the moisture and fat levels commonly found in the cheese.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **43 AGR - B 87**

43. Dairy Products Regulations - amendment.

Description

This proposed amendment exempts prepackaged grated and shredded cheese from having to declare the per cent moisture and per cent milkfat on the main panel of the label.

Implementation of the proposal is expected by September 30, 1987. Sunset provisions are not included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

This proposed amendment will free manufacturers from having to make a declaration of moisture and fat content on the label of grated cheese products, which is difficult, if not impossible, to do with accuracy.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **44 AGR - B 87**

44. Dairy Products Regulations - amendment.

Description

This proposed amendment would require that the appropriate inspection agency in the country of origin, rather than the manufacturer, certify that dairy products exported to Canada are wholesome and produced under sanitary conditions.

Implementation of the proposal is expected by September 30, 1987. Sunset provisions are not included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

This proposed amendment would make the Declaration Customs Entry, required with each importation, more meaningful than the present one in that inspection agencies in the country of origin are in a better position to certify wholesomeness and sanitation than is the exporter of the product.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

July 1987.

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Title of Proposal **45 AGR - B 87**

45. Dairy Products Regulations - amendment.

Description

This proposed amendment will update the schedule providing for metric sizes for prepackaged dairy products and dairy products packed in bulk.

Implementation of the proposal is expected by September 30, 1987. Sunset provisions are not included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

This proposed amendment will establish sizes for prepackaged dairy products which have been requested by the trade and which will improve the marketing of some products.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **46 AGR - B 87**

46. Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Regulations - amendments.

Description

Amend the regulations to more clearly define the circumstances under which condition defects shall be counted against the grade of produce, and more clearly define how destination tolerances will be applied respecting the inspection of fresh fruit and vegetables; to clearly define the grade certification requirements for produce to be imported into Canada; to prescribe fees for the inspection in Canada of produce imported from the U.S.A. and New Zealand.

These amendments have been initiated by the department to correct ambiguous wording in the regulations; to extend the provisions for counting condition defects to include cabbages; to extend import certification requirements to include produce imported from New Zealand, and to respond to the cost-recovery requirements for produce inspection.

An effective date of March 1, 1987 for these regulatory amendments is the objective. There are no sunset provisions included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority
Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact
It is anticipated that this proposal will provide a clearer understanding of Canadian inspection and certification requirements for fresh fruit and vegetables, and provide for partial cost recovery of the import inspection service. There may be a minimal increase to consumer prices for fresh produce resulting from the import inspection fees.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
December 1986.

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Title of Proposal **47 AGR - B 87**
47. Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Regulations - amendments.

Description
Amend the regulations to more clearly define inspection and certification requirements for interprovincial trade in fresh fruit and vegetables; to establish requirements for the registration of packing establishments and the operation and maintenance of such establishments, registered for the purposes of interprovincial trade in fresh fruit and vegetables.

These amendments have been initiated by the department in anticipation of greater demands for registration, (which conveys the privilege to ship produce interprovincially without inspection) in the face of rising inspection costs, and continuing limited inspection resources. More comprehensive and clearly defined requirements will favour the effective administration of this program and encourage high-quality packing operations.

An effective date of April 1, 1998 for these regulatory amendments is the objective, except that the labelling provisions will become effective April 1, 1988. There are no sunset provisions included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

It is anticipated that this proposal will encourage high-quality packing of fresh fruit and vegetables, and give high-quality packers greater flexibility in managing their shipping schedules by not being required to wait for inspection before shipment. In addition, the department's inspection service will be utilized more efficiently by following a frequency of inspection level concept, which concentrates inspection resources towards problem areas, in monitoring the registered establishments. Cost savings in all areas are anticipated.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

December 1986.

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Title of Proposal **48 AGR - B 87**

48. Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Regulations - amendments.

Description

Amend the regulations to provide wording of the grade standards which is more uniform and consistent with other Canadian and international food regulations, and to further clarify the language; to bring the regulations closer to full metrication; to make the regulations consistent with the statutory authority, and to make housekeeping changes.

An effective date of March 31, 1987 for these regulatory amendments is the objective. There are no sunset provisions inluded with this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

It is anticipated that this proposal will encourage more people to use the regulations themselves for reference purposes, rather than enquiring of government officials for simple guidance; it will also result in a greater degree of compliance with the regulations and more uniformity in the enforcement of the regulations.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **49 AGR - B 87**

49. Licensing and Arbitration Regulations - amendments.

Description

Amend the regulations to clarify various aspects of the licensing requirements; to specify the disposition of a forfeited bond which was posted as assurance that a licensed dealer would comply with the terms and conditions of his licence; to provide additional measures for the preservation of imported agricultural products; to make housekeeping changes to keep the regulations up to date; to establish a lower licence fee for charitable organizations.

These amendments are being proposed by the department to more clearly define the licensing requirements and duties of licensed dealers; to make the licensing fees more equitable respecting charitable organizations; to make regulations regarding forfeited bond amounts for the relief of financially injured parties to a dispute; to ensure that imported agricultural products are maintained in good marketable condition.

An effective date of April 30, 1987 for these regulatory amendments is the objective. There are no sunset provisions included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

It is anticipated that this proposal will assist in the fair and orderly marketing of fresh fruit and vegetables in Canada; will encourage a better quality of product offered to consumers; will benefit the fund-raising projects of charitable organizations through a lower licence fee; and will assist the department to administer the regulations more effectively in response to the industry's needs.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **50 AGR - B 87**
50. Processed Products Regulations - amendment.

Description
The amendment is basically a rewording of the existing provisions as part of the department's project to standardize regulations under the Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

The amendment makes minor changes concerning the registration and operation of establishments and the inspection of food products. It also adds regulations pertaining to the disposal of food products and other things forfeited to the Crown.

It is anticipated that this will come into effect by January 1987. There are no sunset provisions included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority
Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact
It is anticipated that this proposal will provide a clearer understanding of food inspection regulations particularly for those who deal with many different food products. The impact will be limited since the essential provisions will be similar to those in effect at the present time.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **51 AGR - B 87**

51. Processed Products Regulations - amendment.

Description

The amendment will establish grade standards (A,B,C) for Frozen Concentrated Orange Juice. It has been initiated by the industry.

It is anticipated that this will come into effect by February 1987. There are no sunset provisions included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

It is anticipated that the establishment of grade standards for Frozen Concentrated Orange Juice will reduce the possibility of adulteration for economic gain and will provide a more uniform quality of products to consumers.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

November 1986.

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Title of Proposal **52 AGR - B 87**

52. Processed Products Regulations - amendment.

Description

The amendment will reference the health and safety provisions of the Food and Drug Regulations within the Processed Products Regulations as a follow-up to the Nielsen Task Force Report.

It is anticipated that this will come into effect by April 1988. There are no sunset provisions included in this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

The proposal will help to provide a better food inspection system to the Canadian industry and to consumers by reducing duplication of inspection and providing a clearer mandate to the inspection service of Agriculture Canada.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **53 AGR - B 87**

53. Honey Regulations - amendment.

Description

The amendment will reference the health and safety provisions of the Food and Drug Regulations within the Honey Regulations as a follow-up to the Nielsen Task Force Report.

It is anticipated that this will come into effect by April 1988. There are no sunset provisions included in this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

The proposal will help to provide a better food inspection system to the Canadian industry and to consumers by reducing duplication of inspection and providing a clearer mandate to the inspection service of Agriculture Canada.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

November 1987.

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Title of Proposal **54 AGR - B 87**

54. Maple Products Regulations - amendment.

Description

The amendment will reference health and safety provisions of the Food and Drug Regulations within the Maple Products Regulations as a follow-up to the Nielsen Task Force Report.

It is anticipated that this will come into effect by April 1988. There are no sunset provisions included in this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

The proposal will help to provide a better food inspection system to the Canadian industry and to consumers by reducing duplication of inspection and providing a clearer mandate to the inspection service of Agriculture Canada.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

November 1987.

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Title of Proposal **55 AGR - B 87**

55. Amendments to the Processed Egg Regulations.

Description

Proposal being made to facilitate trade and strengthen health and safety provisions. There will be a slight reduction in solids for liquid whole egg, standards developed for foods containing egg products, and permission to export to foreign countries' requirements.

Promulgation is expected for June 1987. There will be no sunset provisions.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

For consumer protection, foods containing egg products will be free from Salmonella contamination and thus increase consumption. Trade could be increased as Canadian-produced products will meet the requirements of more foreign markets, thus increasing the need for more Canadian production.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
November 1986.

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Title of Proposal **56 AGR - B 87**

56. Amendment to the Animal Disease and Protection Regulations.

Description

Section 7 will be amended to require all persons importing an animal, animal product or animal by-product into Canada, to present that item to an inspector or a Customs officer at the time of importation.

Implementation is expected for March 1987. No sunset provisions are included.

Statutory Authority
Animal Disease and Protection Act.

Anticipated Impact

Section 7 requires importers to present an item at the time of importation in that a certificate must be produced, however, this amendment clarifies the requirement. No response is therefore expected.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
February 1987.

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Title of Proposal **57 AGR - B 87**

57. Amendment to the Feeds Regulations.

Description

Form II (AGR 1194) of Schedule III indicates that the Canadian Agent undertakes to be held responsible for any failure in respect to feed products he agrees to sign for.

This proposal is to amend Form II of Schedule III, to absolve the Canadian Agent of such responsibility, as the authority to delegate this responsibility is not authorized under the Feeds Act.

It is anticipated that the proposed amendment will come into effect in the calendar year 1987. No sunset provision has been included.

Statutory Authority

Feeds Act.

Anticipated Impact

Canadian Agents will not be held responsible for feed products they sign for.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **58 AGR - B 87**

58. Amendment to the Feeds Regulations.

Description

The purpose of this proposal is to create a separate listing in the regulations to identify those flavour ingredients approved for use in livestock feeds and to set them apart from the other ingredients.

The use of flavouring agents in livestock feeds has increased considerably in the last decade, with a corresponding proliferation of flavour ingredients in the marketplace.

It is anticipated that the proposed amendments will come into effect in the calendar year 1987. No sunset provision has been included.

Statutory Authority

Feeds Act.

Anticipated Impact

This schedule will assist client groups and the regulated industry in being able to readily identify those flavour ingredients approved for use in livestock feeds.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **59 AGR - B 87**
59. Amendment to Fertilizers Regulations.

Description
The purpose of this amendment is to eliminate confusion over exempted manufacturing products which are classified as supplements. The present wording exempts inoculants used for seed treatment which is not recognized as a manufacturing process. Section 3(e) of the Fertilizers Regulations will be amended to specify that inoculants used for seed treatment are not exempt from registration.

It is anticipated that the proposed amendment will come into effect in the calendar year 1987. No sunset provisions have been included.

Statutory Authority
Fertilizers Act.

Anticipated Impact
Minimal impact on manufacturers. It will not involve any change to present practices.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
October 1987.

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Title of Proposal **60 AGR - B 87**
60. Amendment to the Seeds Regulations.

Description
The purpose of this amendment is to provide for the sale of pedigree seed in bulk between authorized private companies. Presently private companies authorized under the Seeds Regulations may only sell pedigree seed in bulk

for direct seeding by the purchaser. Sale of pedigreed seed in bulk between authorized companies is presently prohibited under the Seeds Regulatons.

Anticipated date for implementation is July 1, 1987. No sunset provision is planned.

Statutory Authority

Seeds Act.

Anticipated Impact

This amendment will facilitate sale of pedigree seed in bulk between companies and reduce the cost of bagging, tagging and sealing. This amounts to a relaxation of the regulations allowing the marketplace to operate more freely.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1987.

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Title of Proposal 61 AGR - B 87

61. Amendment to the Pest Control Products Regulations.

Description

These amendments will change the fee structure for pesticide registration, so as to bring the fees in line with the complexity of the review involved. The amendment will describe four different categories of review with a fee range from $50 to $3,000. This change will allow the implementation of cost recovery as part of the government's program of fiscal management.

Anticipated date of implementation of this regulation is January, 1987. There are no sunset provisions in this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Pest Control Products Act.

Anticipated Impact

Only minor effects on small business should result. The registration fees are minimal when compared to the overall cost of product research, development and marketing.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

October, 1986.

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Title of Proposal **62 AGR - B 87**

62. Amend the Pest Control Products Regulations.

Description

The purpose of this proposal is to deregulate electronic devices for insect control, and toilet bowl and urinal cleaners. Data on this group of products is now sufficient to terminate the process of individual product registration and will require compliance with established standards and labelling requirements. Product standards will be published in Schedule II of the regulations and registration will be discontinued for products that comply with standards.

Anticipate implementation of regulation in January 1987. There are no sunset provisions in this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Pest Control Products Act.

Anticipated Impact

Reduced administration requirement for registrants of electronic devices for insect control, and toilet bowl and urinal cleaners. Positive effect on small business expected due to reduced administrative requirements.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **63 AGR - B 87**

63. Amendment to the Pest Control Products Regulations.

Description

The purpose of this proposal is to establish pesticide research procedures. Research is essential to development and assessment of pest control products. Research is conducted by persons who are employed by any public or private corporation or institution or part thereof, and who are responsible for making available for use, using or supervising the use of a control product for research purposes. The scientific and technical information is needed to evaluate the effectiveness and safety of a product and can only be provided with well-documented research. The Pest Control Products Regulations are to be amended to clearly define conditions, regulatory rules and standards governing research.

It is estimated that the effective date will be June, 1988. There are no sunset provisions in this proposal.

Statutory Authority
Pest Control Products Act.

Anticipated Impact
Positive impact is anticipated as amendment to Pest Control Products Regulations will only strengthen current procedures by clearly defining legal mandate for pest control product research in Canada.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
January 1988.

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Title of Proposal **64 AGR - B 87**
64. Amendment to the Race Track Supervision Regulations.

Description
In Section 153 add "(c) order an association to refund all moneys in any pool when in the stewards' opinion they are unable to properly judge the running of the race." There is currently no specific provision for this situation leaving doubt as to proper means of refunding money to the public as a result of a questionable race.

This amendment is expected to come into effect in the spring of 1987. There will be no sunset provisions.

Statutory Authority
Criminal Code, Section 188.

Anticipated Impact
Better public protection. Bettors will be assured of a return of their bets in the event a race cannot be properly judged.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
March 1987.

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Title of Proposal **65 AGR - B 87**
65. Dairy Products Regulations - amendment.

Description
This proposed amendment will put more emphasis on the registration of dairy plants, will firmly establish that only the operators of registered establishments can use the grade marks established by these regulations on the labels of dairy products and will clarify some plant registration requirements.

Implementation of the proposal is expected by September 30, 1987. Sunset provisions are not included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority
Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact
This proposed amendment will not involve additional expense to the trade; it primarly puts more emphasis on plant registration and the right or privilege of operators of registered establishments to apply grades by designation to various dairy products.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
July 1987.

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Title of Proposal **66 AGR - B 87**
66. Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Regulations - amendments.

Description
Amend the regulations to limit the use of Canada prefix grade names (e.g. Canada No.1) to produce grown in Canada; to require the country of origin of imported produce to be

more prominently displayed on labels; and to establish grade names for imported produce e.g., No. 1 Grade).

These amendments have been requested by Canadian producers and consumers to eliminate confusion which presently exists in the use of Canada prefix grade names on imported produce. This will be accomplished through changes to be marking requirements.

An effective date of January 1, 1988 for these regulatory amendments is the objective. There are no sunset provisions included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority
Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact
It is anticipated that this proposal will favour the purchase of Canadian-grown produce by consumers who seek a clear awareness when buying Canadian. There will be some costs incurred by packers to have label changes made, however, a phase-in period during which old labels may be used up will allow the changeover in labels to take place with a minimum of extra costs.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **67 AGR - B 87**
67. Fresh Fruit and Vegetable Regulations - amendments.

Description
Amend the regulations to adopt, by reference, requirements of the Food and Drug Regulations, as they are appropriate and applicable to fresh fruit and vegetables.

In contacting and working with the trade, inspection staff have an obligation to provide advice on various requirements of the Food and Drug Regulations. Adoption of these provisions, by reference, will enhance the regulations and facilitate their enforcement in areas concerning food safety.

An effective date of December 31, 1987 is the objective for these regulatory amendments. There are no sunset provisions included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

It is anticipated that food health concerns will be more adequately addressed, and that Canadians will have greater assurance of their food safety.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **68 AGR - B 87**

68. Maple Products Regulations - amendment.

Description

The amendment is basically a rewording of the existing provisions as part of the department's project to standardize regulations under the Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

It is anticipated that it will come into effect by December 1987. There are no sunset provisions included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

It is anticipated that this proposal will provide a clearer understanding of the food inspection regulations, particularly for those who deal with many food products.

Small businesses may have to increase the quality of their operations in line with provisions within the other food areas.

Anticipated Date of Pre-Publication

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Title of Proposal **69 AGR - B 87**
69. Honey Regulations - amendment.

Description

The amendment is basically a rewording of the existing provisions as part of the department's project to standardize regulations under the Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

It is anticipated that it will come into effect by December 1987. There are no sunset provisions included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

It is anticipated that this proposal will provide a clearer understanding of the food inspection regulations, particularly for those who deal with many food products.

Small businesses may have to increase the quality of their operations in line with actual provisions within the other food areas.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **70 AGR - B 87**
70. Processed Products Regulations - amendment.

Description

The amendment will revise the grade standards and labelling requirements for frozen blueberries. It will adapt Canadian grade standards to the needs of the market for the Canadian blueberry industry.

It is anticipated that this will come into effect by September 1987. There are no sunset provisions included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canda Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

This amendment should facilitate trade, principally with the European market.

Some adaptation of the Canadian industry to the new standards will be necessary. Certain marking requirements will become optional and therefore will be easier to meet.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

April 1987.

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Title of Proposal **71 AGR - B 87**

71. Processed Products Regulations - amendment.

Description

This amendment will revise grade standards for Frozen French Fried Potatoes. It will adapt Canadian standards to the needs of the market of the Canadian industry.

It is anticipated that this proposal will come into effect by July 1987. There are no sunset provisions included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

The amendment should facilitate trade practices. Some adaptation of the Canadian industry to the new standards will be necessary.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

February 1987.

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Title of Proposal **72 AGR - B 87**

72. Processed Products Regulations - amendment.

Description

The amendment would make it mandatory to have a code or a lot number embossed or otherwise permanently marked on processed food products including frozen food products. The amendment is intended to give inspectors a way to identify the packer of any container of processed products, to ensure proper identification of certified products, to facilitate proper recall procedures and to follow up on consumer complaints.

It is anticipated that this amendment will come into effect by November 1987. There are no sunset provisions included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

It is expected that this amendment will increase the validity of food product certification, facilitate recall of products and improve follow-up on complaints.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **73 AGR - B 87**

73. Processed Products Regulations - amendment.

Description

This amendment will revise the bacterial standards (coliforms, fecal coliforms and staphylococcus) for frozen vegetables to more accurately determine the health hazard potential.

It is anticipated that it will come into effect by April 1988. There are no sunset provisions included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

This proposal will help to improve the safety of frozen vegetables provided to consumers.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

December 1987.

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Title of Proposal **74 AGR - B 87**

74. Processed Products Regulations - amendment.

Description

This amendment is basically a rewording of the existing labelling requirements as part of the department's project to standardize regulations under the Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

It is anticipated that it will come into effect by December 1987. There are no sunset provisions included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

This proposal will provide a clearer understanding of the labelling requirements of the regulations particularly for those who deal with many food products.

Anticipated Date of Pre-Publication

September 1987.

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Title of Proposal **75 AGR - B 87**

75. Processed Products Regulations - amendments.

Description

The amendment will provide for a gum thickener in spaghetti sauce.

It is anticipated that it will come into effect by April 1988. There are no sunset provisions included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

This amendment will provide more flexibility in development of recipes by the industry and it will help to provide consumers with a more attractive product.

Anticipated date of Pre-publication

December 1987.

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Title of Proposal **76 AGR - B 87**

76 Processed Products Regulations - amendment.

Description

The amendment will revise the method for the determination of drained solids of beans with pork, of beans with pork and tomato sauce and of vegetarian beans. This has been requested by industry in order to improve the method.

It is anticipated that it will come into effect by April 1988. There will be no sunset provisions.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

The amendment will update and simplify the method of evaluation.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

December 1987.

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Title of Proposal **77 AGR - B 87**

77. Amendment to the Animal Disease and Protection Regulations.

Description

Section 29.4 - The requirements for the importation of turtles and turtle eggs may be amended.

Implementation would be July, 1987. No sunset provisions would be included.

Statutory Authority
Animal Disease and Protection Act.

Anticipated Impact
The importation of turtles is already controlled. Current studies are assessing whether turtle eggs will carry salmonellosis. The impact will be minimal since trade in turtle eggs is minimal at present.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
July 1987.

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Title of Proposal **78 AGR - B 87**
78. Amendment to the Seeds Regulations.

Description
Regulations were recently put in place which simplify the procedures for importation of seed into Canada. Further amendments are likely which will further simplify and clarify the procedures for release of seed into Canada. This will supplement the amendments on bonding of seed.

Anticipated date for implementation is July 1, 1987. No sunset provision is planned.

Statutory Authority
Seeds Act.

Anticipated Impact
Similar procedures for import will reduce delays and paperburden while maintaining control of imported seed.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **79 AGR - B 87**

79. Amendment to the Pest Control Products Regulations.

Description

This amendment will extend registrations of control products which are granted at the end of a registration renewal period.

Anticipated implementation of regulation is January, 1987. There are no sunset provisions in this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Pest Control Products Act.

Anticipated Impact

This initiative represents a saving of administrative costs for both registrants and government.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

October 1986.

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ROUTINE INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **80 AGR - C 87**

80. Lamb and Mutton Carcasses Grading Regulations - amendment.

Description

The regulations require amendments in several sections, primarily editorial in nature, as well as amendments to correct translation errors. Roller branding of carcasses is no longer practised by the industry and will be removed from the regulations. Grade stamping will be introduced as a requirement for carcasses destined for export or interprovincial movement.

The amendments would be effective in early 1987 and contain no sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

Although the Canadian kill of lamb and mutton is low, grading and grade stamping of carcasses shipped interprovincially would be consistent with other red meat carcass grading regulations and would eliminate consumer complaints over misrepresentation of carcass grade.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
December 1986

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Title of Proposal **81 AGR - C 87**
81. Beef Carcass Grading Regulations - amendment.

Description
The current regulations permit dark colored beef in either the Canada B2 or B3 grades. Industry has requested that these carcasses be confined to one grade. The proposed amendments accommodate this request as well as clarifying the fat and muscle requirements for the Canada C2 and D2 grades, respectively.

Currently the regulations require the grade stamping and roller branding of carcasses, sides, forequarters and hindquarters moving interprovincially. Industry has requested that this requirement apply to boxed beef as well. The proposed amendments accommodate this request by extending the requirement to the primal cut level.

The proposed amendments also clarify the requirements for the issuing of a grade certificate to a producer.

These amendments would be effective in early 1987 and contain no sunset provision.

Statutory Authority
Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact
The assignment of all youthful dark cutting beef carcasses to the Canada B2 grade would facilitate trading and the determintion of their economic value. Industry and consumer confidence in the grading system and beef grades would be increased by extending the carcass grade stamping and branding requirements for interprovincial movement to the primal cut level.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
February 1987.

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Title of Proposal 82 AGR - C 87

82. Amendment to the Animal Disease and Protection Act.

Description

Emergency Orders under Section 12 of the animal Disease and Protection Act are made by the Minister of Agriculture to prohibit the importation of animals and other items which might introduce a serious foreign animal disease into Canada. They are usually in response to a disease outbreak or other similar emergency in a country that exports to Canada.

They do not contain sunset provisions.

Statutory Authority

Animal Disease and Protection Act.

Anticipated Impact

Prohibition orders do impact on importers, however, they are accepted by the industry as an alternative to prohibiting trade on a permanent basis or allowing disease to enter Canada.

These orders do not usually affect the Canadian public or the agriculture industry as a whole. Their impact is restricted to the exporting companies in other countries and to the importer in Canada.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Pre-publication is not feasible as importation of the commodities must be stopped immediately.

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Title of Proposal 83 AGR - C 87

83. Amendments to the Fertilizers Regulations.

Description

This proposal is to make housekeeping changes to the Fertilizers Regulations. These changes include:

a) editorial amendments;
b) addition of a specification under Schedule I to clarify the variability allowed for pesticides guaranteed between 2-2.1 per cent and 5-5.1 per cent. Current schedule does not specify limits for such guarantees (i.e., 2.07 per cent).

It is anticipated that the proposed amendments will come into effect in the calendar year 1987. No sunset provisions have been included.

Statutory Authority
Fertilizers Act.

Anticipated Impact
These amendments are basically housekeeping and will have no impact on industry.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
October 1987.

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Title of Proposal **84 AGR - C 87**
84. Amendment to the Race Track Supervision Regulations.

Description
Various grammatical, translation or other wording changes suggested by the Standing Joint Committee of the Senate and of the House of Commons on Regulations and other Statutory Instruments, from time to time.

These amendments do not contain sunset provisions.

Statutory Authority
Criminal Code, Section 188.

Anticipated Impact
Compliance with government direction. No impact on public or racing industry.

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Title of Proposal **85 AGR - C 87**
85. Processed Products Regulations - amendment.

Description

This amendment provides requirements for registration of labels and provides for fruit and vegetable juice containers below the sizes specified. The amendment removes any possible discretionary aspect of label approval. The provision for fruit and vegetable juice containers below the sizes specified is the completion of a recent revision of the said containers.

It is anticipated that this will come into effect by November 1986. There are no sunset provisions included with this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

The amendment will provide better clarity and understanding of the actual provisions. More felxibility in fruit and vegetable juice packaging will be allowed.

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Title of Proposal **86 AGR - C 87**
86. Veal Carcass Grading Regulations - amendment.

Description

The proposed amendments will modify certain definitions, eliminate flesh texture as a grade criteria and modify fat requirements, introduce black ink for grade stamping, and modify the terminology used in the French version. The Standing Joint Committee requested some of the amendments while the others are proposed by the department. They will result in greater uniformity with the other red meat carcass grading regulations and will reflect more accurately the criteria used presently in the grading of a veal carcass.

The amendments would be effective in early 1987 and contain no sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

The amendments are minor in nature. They will not impact negatively on vieal producers, abattoirs or on the merchandising of veal. Carcass fat deposits will be more accurately evaluated by the grader.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

December 1986.

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Title of Proposal **87 AGR - C 87**

87. Amend the Egg Regulations.
Amend the Processed Egg Regulations.
Amend the Processed Poultry Regulations.

Description

The regulations lack uniformity in wording of common elements such as labelling, registrations, import, export, seizure and detention. This leads to difficulty in interpretation by clients; therefore, amendments are required.

The regulations are to come into effect in June, 1987, and there is no sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Canada Agricultural Products Standards Act.

Anticipated Impact

The regulated industry will spend less time and money seeking interpretations from the regulators. Also the regulators will be less burdened with paper work for the same reason.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **88 AGR - C 87**
88. Amendments to Animal Disease and Protection Regulations.

Description

a) Section 2 will be amended by clarifying or adding definitions as consequential changes to other regulations.

b) Section 33 will be amended to clarify the conditions for importing poultry into Canada for immediate slaughter will be clarified.

c) Section 34 will be amended to clarify the importation of dairy products and eggs.

d) Section 36 will be amended to allow the importation of semen, other than livestock and poultry semen, from countries other than the United States. In addition, semen donors from foot-and-mouth-free countries will no longer be required to be born and reared in the country of export or Canada.

e) Sections 40, 41, 41, 42, and 48 will be amended to recognize processing in country of origin for the importation of animal products and by-products from foot-and-mouth countries.

f) Section 47 will be amended to permit emergency disposal of international garbage and to clarify routine control requirements.

g) Section 49 will be amended to limit the exemption for the importation of game carcasses to personal quantities.

h) Section 51 will be amended to clarify that an import permit is required to import animal pathogens including any micro-organism derived from animals.

i) Section 78.12(3), 78.16(3) and 78.25 will be amended to remove the requirement that animals entering shows and exhibitions be tested for brucellosis.

j) Section 107, 108 and 109 will be amended to remove the requirement for routine cleaning and disinfection of vehicles, crates or containers used to transport livestock within Canada.

Statutory Authority

Animal Disease and Protection Act.

Anticipated Impact

Anticipated impact will be minimal since all the above amendments to the regulations are housekeeping and are designed to clarify existing practices or to reduce regulatory impact.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

a) February 1987
b) January 1987
c) February 1987
d) January 1987
e) February 1987
f) January 1987
g) February 1987
h) January 1987
i) March 1987
j) March 1987

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Title of Proposal **89 AGR - C 87**

89. Amendments to the Feeds Regulations.

Description

This proposal is to make housekeeping changes to the Feeds Regulations. These changes include:

a) editorial amendments, such as those requested by the Standing Joint Committee of the Senate and of the House of Commons on Regulations and other Statutory Instruments;

b) corrections in language;

c) updates to Tables I and II of Schedule I on tolerances, Table III of Schedule I on guarantees, Table IV of Schedule I on nutrient levels, Tables I and II of Schedule II on weeds and Schedules IV and V on ingredients; and

d) amendments to clarify the mechanism to enable temporary registration to become permanent and clarification of manufacturing of feed for research purposes.

The appropriate sections and schedules in the feed regulations will be modified to accommodate these changes.

It is anticipated that the proposed amendments will come into effect in the calender year 1987. No sunset provisions have been included.

Statutory Authority

Feeds Act.

Anticipated Impact

Due to the nature of these amendemnts, the regulations will be easier for client groups and the regulated industry to understand and interpret.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

It is anticipated that there will be three pre-publications:
a), b) and c) January 1987
c) and d) June 1987
c) November 1987

(Amendments under c) will require regular updates).

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Title of Proposal **90 AGR - C 87**

90. Amendment to the Race Track Supervision Regulations.

Description

To create an additional "Area" to better distribute workload in Ontario.

Subsection 22(b) Ontario Area to be divided into two parts:
  Ontario Area (Central)
  Ontario Area (South).

This regulation will come into effect in the spring of 1987. There will be no sunset provisions.

Statutory Authority

Criminal Code, Section 188.

Anticipated Impact

Better service to the public and the racing industry. Improved, more effective administration.

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Title of Proposal **91 AGR - C 87**
91. Amendment to Seeds Regulations.

Description

From time to time it is necessary to amend the regulations to introduce changes resulting from new government policies such as cost recovery and privatization. Routine amendments also result from re-organization, deregulation or relaxation of regulations where appropriate and instituting new changes at the request of the seed industry and provincial governments.

Statutory Authority

Seeds Act.

Anticipated Impact

Some routine changes are deregulatory, others are made in response to changing situations in the seed industry and others have no impact on the commerce of seed.

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POLICY BRANCH

MAJOR INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **92 AGR - A 87**
92. Agricultural Stabilization Act (ASA).

Description

At various times each year the department submits Orders in Council to: a) prescribe prices for designated commodities; and b) prescribe prices for named commodities above the 90 per cent support level.

The Governor in Council may designate agricultural commodities, other than "named commodities" which already appear in the Act, for stabilization payment at a percentage of the five-year average market price as prescribed by the Governor in Council, adjusted for cash cost of production changes. In addition, the Governor in Council may also prescribe a price at a percentage higher than 90 per cent for any named commodity.

Stabilization payments at the prescribed prices are funded from annual appropriation by Parliament and are established by Order in Council.

The regulations do not contain sunset provisions.

Statutory Authority

Agricultural Stabilization Act (ADA).

Anticipated Impact

Assist producers' income when farm receipts for a particular commodity fall significantly, or when input costs have risen at a faster rate than market prices.

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ROUTINE INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **93 AGR - C 87**

93. Amendments to the Prairie Grain Advance Payments Regulations.

Description

For each crop year, certain Regulations to the Prairie Grain Advance Payments Act have to be put in place. These regulations would prescribe the specific grades of wheat, oats and barley, the advance payment rate for each crop, the interest rate to be charged on defaulted accounts, application forms to be used by the Canadian Wheat Board and the implementation of the emergency provisions under the Act.

These regulations will come into effect by August 1, 1987. They will not contain any sunset provisions.

Statutory Authority

Prairie Grain Advance Payments Act.

Anticipated Impact

Assists in orderly marketing of western grains. Positive effect on cash flow position of grain producers. Provides relief to grain producers if poor weather conditions hinder the harvest of crop.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Emergency Provisions - N/A
Specific Grades - June 1987
Advance Rates - June 1987
Interest Rate - June 1987
Application Forms - June 1987

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Title of Proposal **94 AGR - C 87**

94. Agricultural Products Cooperative Marketing Act.

Description

Require authority from the Governor in Council to enter into an agreement with each cooperative marketing organization who wish to participate under the terms of the Agricultural Products Cooperative Marketing Act.

Approximately 20 agreements are expected to be put inplace throughout the 1987 crop year. No sunset provisions will be included.

Statutory Authority

Agricultural Products Cooperative Marketing Act.

Anticipated Impact

Assists in orderly marketing of agricultural products.
Minimum price of the agricultural product to the producer and cooperative marketing organization is established.
Equitable payments among producers.
Positive effect on the cash flow position of producers.

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RESEARCH BRANCH

MAJOR INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **95 AGR - A 87**

95. Cost Recovery.

Description

On November 8, 1984, the Government of Canada announced measures to reduce federal expenditures. One of the measures dealt with establishing or increasing fees for a range of services provided by government departments, including the Department of Agriculture.

It is proposed to implement cost recovery for research services provided in three areas: pesticides testing, contracting-in of research projects and consulting as provided by the Research Branch.

Implementation will be on a phased basis. No sunset provision is planned.

Statutory Authority

The Experimental Farm Stations Act, Section 9, outlines the services that can be provided by a farm station.

In addition, Governor in Council approval, in accordance with Subsection 5 (2) of the Department of Agriculture Act, will authorize the Minister of Agriculture to arrange for the provision of consulting services. Consulting services are activities carried out when an organzation or individual external to the Research Branch requests the services of a branch professional(s) which will result in specific benefit to the organization or individual. Authority to prescribe and collect fees for all of these services will be obtained by Governor in Council approval pursuant to Subsection 13(b) of the Financial Administration Act.

Anticipated Impact

During consultations with agricultural producer and food processor organizations, no major concerns were raised regarding the pesticides testing proposal and the proposal for the contracting-in of research projects. Discussions suggest, however, that the proposed consulting fee will be seen to be very high.

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CANADIAN GRAIN COMMISSION

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **96 AGR - A 87**

96. Amendment of the Canada Grain Regulations.

Description

An independent Fee Study Committee has recommended that the fees of the Commission be restructured over a period of three years to bring certain major fees more in line with the actual costs of providing services.

The Commission proposes to revise its fee structure under Schedule I of the Canada Grain Regulations, effective August 1, 1987. There will be no sunset provisions.

Statutory Authority

Canada Grain Act.

Anticipated Impact

There may be increased costs of handling grain to the producers; however, such costs will be in line with Treasury Board directive regarding full cost recovery by the Commission.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

April 1987.

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Title of Proposal **97 AGR - A 87**

97. Amendment of the Canada Grain Regulations.

Description

Maximum elevator tariffs were not revised for the 1986-87 crop year. Upon review of the companies' annual statements after the 1986 fiscal year, the Commission will consider whether the maximum tariffs should be revised for the 1987-88 crop year. Schedules VII, VIII and XI would be amended.

There will be no sunset provisions included.

Statutory Authority

Canada Grain Act.

Anticipated Impact

As most of the elevators' charges are below the maximum tariffs, it will depend on the elevator companies whether or not there will be increased costs in the handling of grain.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

April 1987.

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MINOR INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **98 AGR - B 87**

98. Amendment of Canada Grain Regulations.

Description

For technological reasons, minor amendments are required to certain forms; also, a form is required to record handlings of grain by grain dealers. It had been hoped to have these effective for the 1986-87 crop year, but translation problems and new requirements for publication have created delays which may cause these to not be ready until 1987. The forms affected would be in Schedules V and VI and there would be an addition of a Grain Dealer Report Form in Schedule VI.

There will be no sunset provisions.

Statutory Authority

Canada Grain Act.

Anticipated Impact

With the increased usage of computers, amendments of the forms should create more efficiency. The new grain dealer form should assist the Commission in monitoring grain dealers.

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ROUTINE INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **99 AGR - C 87**

99. Farm Credit Act Interest Rates Regulations.

Description

The Farm Credit Act Interest Rates Regulations prescribe the rate or rates of interest payable to the Farm Credit Corporation (FCC) by borrowers on loans made under the Farm Credit Act. Each time it is necessary to change the interest rate or rates on new loans, the existing regulation amended and the new rate or rates approved by the Governor General in Council. Interest rates on loans under the Farm Credit Act are adjusted periodically as market conditions and the cost of funds change.

Statutory Authority

Farm Credit Act.

Anticipated Impact

The impact of changes in interest rates on loans to farmers under the Farm Credit Act depends upon the degree of the change and the direction of the change. The lending rate is established based on market and economic conditions and the cost of funds. Thus, FCC lending rates usually follow the trends set by commercial lenders for interest rates on farm mortgages. As the cost of credit and therefore the level of interest rates is only one component of farm input costs, the impact of changing interest rates on individual farms is dependent upon the level of debt, changes in other input costs and the prices received for farm commodities. A substantial change in interest rates can substantially affect the demand for credit and therefore the purchase of assets. However, the major use of Farm Credit Act loans is for the purchase of farm land which is an asset that is generally controlled by farmers.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

As interest rates on loans under the Farm Credit Act change in relation to market conditions, there is no specific date anticipated.

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Title of Proposal **100 AGR - C 87**

100. Farm Syndicates Credit Act Interest Rate Order.

Description

The Farm Syndicates Credit Act (FSCA) states the basis upon which the Farm Credit Corporation shall prescribe the interest rate for loans under the FSCA subject to the approval of the Governor in Council. Each time it is necessary to change the interest rates on FSCA loans, a new FSCA Interest Rate Order establishing the interest rate must be approved by the Governor in Council. The interest rate on loans under the FSCA is adjusted periodically as market conditions and the cost of funds change.

Statutory Authority

Farm Syndicates Credit Act.

Anticipated Impact

The impact of changes in the interest rate on loans to farmers under the FSCA depends upon the degree of the change and the direction of the change. The lending rate is established based on market conditions and the cost of funds. Thus, the FSCA lending rate usually follows the trends set by commercial lenders for interest rates for intermediate-term credit. As the cost of credit and therefore the level of interest rates is only one component of farm input costs, the impact of changing interest rates on individual farms is dependent upon the level of debt, changes in other input costs and the prices received for farm commodities. A substantial change in interest rates can substantially affect the demand for credit and therefore the purchase of assets. The major use of the FSCA loans is for the purchase of machinery and fixed equipment that is shared by three or more individual farm operators.

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AGRICULTURE DEVELOPMENT BRANCH
STATUTES

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **101 AGR - A 87**

101. Amendments to the Agricultural Products Marketing Act (APMA).

Description

Addition of an enforcement section to provide for recovery of unpaid levies or charges imposed under the Act.
Provision of a monitoring system for regulations emanating from Delegation Orders in which Section 3 does not contain the words "by order or regulation".
Redefining of "Agricultural Products" in order to include wood.
Addition of a cost recovery clause.

The original target date for the MC was November 1986, however, it is unlikely that it will be ready until the end of the current fiscal year.

Statutory Authority

N/A

Anticipated Impact

Marketing Boards will have power to enforce payment of levies and charges imposed under the Act.
The legitimacy of delegation of authority to Marketing Boards engaged in marketing wood will be clarified.
Increased expediency of service and maintenance of control of all Orders and Regulations made under the Act.
Transfer of costs of publication to users.

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Title of Proposal **102 AGR - A 87**

102. Animal Pedigree Act (Revision of the Livestock Pedigree Act).

Description

The Livestock Pedigree Act, an act respecting he incorporation of breed associations and the registration of purebred animals, is responsible for the credibility of the purebred livestock industry in Canada and contributes significantly to the values of Canadian livestock in domestic and international markets.

Since the Act has not been amended since 1952, a revision is necessary to best serve the current needs of the livestock industry.

Under its new name, Animal Pedigree Act, the new legislation will:

1. provide upgraded animals with the same protection and rights under the Animal Pedigree Act as purebred animals;
2. provide for the amalgamation of two or more associations into one (i.e., two or more breed associations of the same species amalgamating into one species association);
3. clarify and strengthen the offences portion of the Act;
4. make provision for the Criteria for the Establishment of New Breeds of Livestock in Canada; and
5. revise areas of the Act in order to bring it in line with current legislation and developments in the industry.

The Animal Pedigree Act will be ready for tabling by early fall 1986.

Statutory Authority

N/A

Anticipated Impact

This revision has been expected by the industry for many years. When adopted, it will better serve the industry, providing among other things better protection for both buyers and sellers of animals.

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FOOD PRODUCTION AND INSPECTION BRANCH
STATUTES

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **103 AGR - A 87**

103. Introduction of New Regulations.

Description

The proposed new regulations will complement a revised act which will replace the present Plant Quarantine Act and which is expected to be presented to Parliament no later than the spring of 1987.

These new regulations will serve to prevent the introduction into Canada and the spreading from or within Canada of injurious plant pests. The regulations will stipulate all conditions, prohibitions and restrictions governing the importation, exportation and the domestic movement of plants or other matter capable of conveying a plant pest.

They will require that certain Ministerial Orders be reviewed annually and if deemed necessary, the Ministerial Orders shall be amended or revoked. At the same time, the new regulations will establish a committee to review all policies and proposed regulations.

These new regulations will be implemented, as soon as possible, after the bill in question had received Royal Assent.

There will be no sunset provisions.

Statutory Authority

A revised Act expected to be presented to Parliament no later than spring 1987.

Anticipated Impact

These proposed new regulations will protect the environment by preventing the introduction or spreading within Canada of destructive plant pests.

They will also indicate to foreign countries Canada's continued desire to control or eradicate plant pest infestations within Canada, and thereby, prevent the transmission from Canada of any plant pests or economic importance to Canada's trading partners.

The benefits of these new regulations are expected to exceed administrative costs. For example, the introduction into Canada of an exotic pest can, in the long run, cost several thousands of dollars to control or eradicate. Other benefits, largely in terms of jobs to Canadians, will be derived from the protection of Canadian agricultural and forestry resources and the securing of export markets.

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Title of Proposal **104 AGR - A 87**

104. Plant Breeders' Rights Act (PBR).

Description

PBR legislation will grant a legal right to plant breeders of new varieties. This would provide a legal basis for royalty collection on sales of reproductive material which would stimulate public and private plant breeding, facilitate obtaining foreign varieties and collecting royalties on Canadian varieties when used abroad.

It is anticipated that the legislation will be introduced in the spring 1987 and passed by the end of 1987. No sunset provision is planned.

Ten years after the Act comes into effect, a report must be prepared on the effects of the legislation.

Statutory Authority

N/A

Anticipated Impact

PBR will directly affect the agricultural and horticultural industries. It is widely supported by most of the major agricultural and horticultural organizations because it will increase the availability of new varieties with consequent increases in production opportunities for Canadian producers. PBR will increase the amount of plant breeding in existing firms and encourage additional firms including those involved in biotechnology to invest in plant breeding.

Seed exports are expected to increase. Seed prices may rise but only marginally. This would be offset by increased productivity. The increased access to foreign varieties that are adapted to certain small regions in Canada will benefit specific regions such as the Maritimes.

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MINOR INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **105 AGR - B 87**

105. Amendments to the Feeds Act.

Description

Preparatory work and consultations with the client groups and the regulated industry, as well as other concerned parties, will be undertaken to discuss proposed amendments to the Feeds Act to:

a) allow persons outside the Public Service who are duly accredited to carry out analyses under the Feeds Regulations;
b) allow for the publication of compliance test results;
c) permit the prescribing of manufacturing standards and to provide the corresponding authority to inspect premises;
d) give the department authority to prosecute for misuse of feeds and that the definition of "manufacturer" be added to the Act to include consultants, veterinarians and custom formulators;
e) include a mandate to regulate advertising.

These amendments are proposed as a result of the recommendations of the Ministerial Task Force on Program Review and the Feed Program Management Review carried out in 1985/86.

Implementation would not be before 1991.

No sunset provisions are included.

Statutory Authority
N/A

Anticipated Impact
To be determined during consultations.

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POLICY BRANCH
STATUTES

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **106 AGR - A 87**
106. Amendments to the Prairie Grain Advance Payments Act.

Description
To amend the Prairie Grain Advance Payments Act in order to improve its administrative efficency and to make it more responsive to the needs of western grain producers.

The proposal should come into effect on August 1, 1987.

Statutory Authority
N/A

Anticipated Impact
It is hoped that the amendments will:
- establish mechanisms to be more responsive to producers' marketing needs for western grain;
- ensure equitable treatment to western grain producers; and
- improve the administrative efficiency of the Act.

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Title of Proposal **107 AGR - A 87**
107. Amendments to the Agricultural Products Cooperative Marketing Act.

Description
To amend the Agricultural Products Cooperative Marketing Act in order to improve its administrative efficiency and

to make it more responsive to the needs of cooperative marketing organizations and their financial institutions.

First reading in the House of Commons is expected in November 1987.

Statutory Authority

N/A

Anticipated Impact

It is hoped that the amendments will -
- bring the Act in line with current banking methods;
- improve the administrative efficiency of the Act; and
- allow flexibility in the Act to meet the individual characteristics of the cooperatie marketing organization.

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Title of Proposal **108 AGR - A 87**

108. Amendments to the Farm Improvement Loans Act.

Description

The authority of the Minister of Agriculture to guarantee new loans under the Farm Improvement Loans Act expires on December 31, 1986. The government may wish to consider extending this authority for a further period and may also wish to consider whether revisions to the program are needed to increase its usefulness to farmers and to bring it more into line with current government policies on loan guarantees.

Received first reading in the House of Commons in October, 1987. May have to return to first reading in the new session.

Statutory Authority

N/A

Anticipated Impact

It is hoped the amendments will -
- continue to encourage lenders to provide short term and intermediate term credit to farmers, and
- provide a more equitable use of the Act across Canada.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS

Roles and Responsibilities

The activities undertaken by the Department of Communications relate to the following objectives: the development of policies, programs, and cooperative arrangements that achieve Canada's social and economic objectives for communications and culture; the fostering of the orderly development and operation of communications and culture for Canada in both the domestic and international spheres. In this regard, the department's activities may be divided into two main spheres or sectors: policy information and radio frequency spectrum management.

More precisely, with respect to its reqlatory responsibilities, the department seeks to improve and extend communication services available to Canadians and to increase the availability of and access to Canadian cultural products and activities.

The policy sector of the department, through its Telecommunications Policy Branch, develops policies for achieving optimum utilization of the radio frequency spectrum to meet the varying and conflicting needs of users, and develops policies for affecting the structure of the telecommunications industry in Canada.

Through its International Relations Branch, the sector develops policies to project national objectives into the international telecommunications fora in order to establish an international regulatory environment compatible with those objectives.

The Broadcasting and Cultural Industries Branch develops policies, legislation, strategies and programs in the area of broadcasting and associated delivery technologies including new content services. In the areas of film, video and sound recording, its responsibilities include the formulation of policies, strategies and programs with emphasis on production, distribution and marketing of cultural products. In the publishing field, it develops policies, formulates objectives and design and administers programs with special regard for measures to encourage the creation, publishing, marketing and distribution of Canadian authored books, periodicals and electronic publications.

In addition to being responsible for developing a comprehensive arts policy and for the design of the Department's support programs in the fields of the performing, visual, literary and media arts, the Arts and Heritage Policy and Programs Branch is charged with developing and coordinating national heritage programs. Its mandate includes responsibility for administering the Cultural Property Export and Import Act, formulating and revising an integrated copyright policy, and providing protection for artists, creators and the industries engaged in the production and distribution of cultural products.

The spectrum management sector, through its three branches and the Department's Regional/District Offices, plans and implements the regulation of the radio frequency spectrum.

The Broadcasting Regulations Branch analyzes, evaluates and certifies the technical aspects of broadcast and cable TV applications, and regulates the technical operation of all approved broadcast and cable TV systems in Canada. It reviews, develops and carries out technical coordination of international standards to ensure the orderly and equitable sharing of the broadcast spectrum with neighbouring foreign countries. In addition, in consultation with the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission, other departments, the broadcasters, the electronic manufacturing industry, and domestic and international agencies, it assesses the needs of the broadcast and cable TV industry, develops technical standards, procedures and broadcasting regulations, and promotes technological developments.

The Radio Regulatory Branch develops radio licensing regulations, policies and certain radio standards and procedures. It processes all applications for General Radio Service (GRS) radio licences and, except for broadcasting stations, issues licences and collects renewal fees for amateur, coast, earth, land, mobile, private receiving and space radio stations. It coordinates proposed radio frequency assignments with foreign administrations, processes applications and issues licences for certain space radio services, national and government requirements. It also notifies all Canadian radio frequency assignments requiring international protection to the International Frequency Registration Board, a permanent organ of the International Telecommunications Union (ITU), a specialized UN agency. The branch participates in the development of the ITU Radio Regulations through preparation for and attendance at ITU World and Regional Administrative Radio Conferences.

The Engineering Programs Branch is responsible, in cooperation with other sectors of the department, for the development of technical standards, procedures, policies, frequency plans and sub-allocation plans for radio systems for all types of non-broadcasting radio systems (land, marine and aeronautical mobile, satellite, microwave, radar-radio navigational and remote control devices). Equipment standards, procedures and frequency plans ensure that the radio spectrum is used efficiently, that "state of the art" technology is employed and that telecommunications systems used to provide different services operate without causing interference to each other. The branch participates in the development of international standards and regulations in international fora such as the International Telecommunication Union, and negotiates spectrum sharing and other necessary bilateral or multilaeral arrangements with other countries, principally the United States.

Additionally, the branch, through the work of the Terminal Attachment Program Advisory Committee, a provincial and federal government, industry carriers' and users' working group, revises voluntary technical standards and procedures for the testing and certification of telephone terminal equipment to be attached to the public switched-telephone networks where permitted by regulation.

The primary legislative authorities for departmental activities are to be found in the Radio Act, the Broadcasting Act, the Department of Communications Act, the Telegraph Act, the National Transportation Act, the Telesat Canada Act, the Railway Act, Part II and III of the Broadcasting Act in relation to the Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission and the Canadian Broadcasting Corporation, the Canada Council Act, the National Library Act, the National Arts Centre Act, the National Museums Act, the Public Archives Act, the National Film Act, the Cultural Property Export and Import Act and the Canadian Film Development Corporation Act.

DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNICATIONS
PART A - TELECOMMUNICATIONS

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **109 DOC - A 87**
109. Telecommunications Cost Recovery.

Description

The CTRC will be empowered to collect fees from the telecommunications carriers it regulates: Bell Canada, B.C. Tel, CNCP Telecommunications, Telesat Canada, Terra Nova Tel and NorthwesTel. The fees, to cover the cost of regulations, are analogous to the fees now collected from broadcasters regulated by the CRTC.

Statutory Authority

An amendment to the Railway Act is required.

Anticipated Impact

The fees will total about $6 million in 1986/87, equivalent to less than 0.1 per cent of the revenues of the affected companies.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

The required legislation was introduced on June 26, 1986.

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Title of Proposal **110 DOC - A 87**
110. Exemption Regulations for Receive-Only Earth Stations.

Description

The proposed amendments to existing General Radio Regulations Part II would have the effect of removing the licensing requirement for receive-only earth stations that are used to receive broadcasting signals from foreign satellites by entities not redistributing the signals, or by broadcast undertakings as authorized by the CRTC or, to receive business data signals from Canadian satellites.

Statutory Authority

The Minister of Communications has the statutory authority to prescribe the proposed amendments under the Radio Act Section 7 (1).

Anticipated Impact

Positive impact is expected as the requirement for radio station licensing would be eliminated for a relatively large number of earth stations and it would regularize the situation for many owners of existing illegal earth stations.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

It is anticipated that amended regulations should be published at the end of Fall 1986.

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PART B - SPECTRUM MANAGEMENT

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **111 DOC - A 87**

111. Amendment of General Radio Regulations, Part I, to streamline the licensing process and revise the fee structure for non-broadcast radio use.

Description

The licence fee structure that applies to non-broadcast radio stations is being revised to respond to concerns of radio users and to achieve the commitment to cost recovery outlined in the Economic Statement of 1984 and the Budget of May 1985. The proposal, which is to come into effect on April 1, 1987, includes:

a) elimination of the fee exemption or preferential fee treatment enjoyed by governments and municipalities;
b) authorization of mobile stations communicating with land stations on cellular mobile radio frequencies via the land station licences;
c) introduction of a tariff of fees for land stations providing a public commercial service on those same frequencies;
d) prohibition of installation and operation of cellular mobile apparatus on board aircraft.

Statutory Authority

Radio Act, R.S.C. 1970, c.R-1, section 6.

Anticipated Impact

a) The budgets for municipal and government users will have to be adjusted to accommodate the new fees payable April 1, 1987.

b) Individual subscribers to cellular radio service will no longer be required to apply for individual mobile radio licences or pay the annual fee that applies to those licences.
c) Cellular radio service providers will pay an increased licence fee that covers the fees ordinarily paid by individual subscribers and will, no doubt, recover this increased licence cost from subscribers in their subscription charge.
d) The current design and operation of cellular radio service in Canada is not suitable for use in aircraft and thus no negative impact will be felt by this prohibition.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
October 15, 1986.

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Title of Proposal **112 DOC - A 87**

112. Amendment of General Radio Regulations, Part II, to require broadcast receiving undertakings to obtain prior approval for the use of aeronautical navigation and communications frequency bands.

Description
Radio frequency energy being carried by cable distribution systems of broadcasting receiving undertakings can leak from such systems and thereby cause potential interference to radio services. Potential interference to aeronautical navigation and communications services in the bands 108 MHz to 136 MHz and 308.6 MHz to 335.4 MHz is of particular concern. This proposal will require broadcast receiving undertakings to obtain prior approval for the use of those bands.

Statutory Authority
Radio Act, R.S.C. 1970, c.R-1, Sections 5 and 7.

Anticipated Impact
This proposal is intended to provide for the safe use of aeronautical navigation and communications frequency bands by broadcasting receiving undertakings.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
This proposal was pre-published in Canada Gazette Part I (TRS-007-86) on March 22, 1986. Approval of final regulations is expected before January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **113 DOC - A 87**

113. Amendment of General Radio Regulations, Part I, to include apparatus capable of recording television broadcasting in the categories of radio apparatus capable of receiving television broadcasting.

Description

Radio apparatus intended for and capable of recording television broadcasting for the purpose of home entertainment is currently excluded from any regulations pertaining to radio apparatus capable of receiving television broadcasting. This proposal would rectify this inconsistency.

Statutory Authority

Radio Act, R.S.C. 1970, c.R-1, Sections 6 and 7.

Anticipated Impact

Manufacturers and distributors of video recording devices will have to ensure that their equipment complies with the pertinent regulations on devices capable of receiving television broadcasting. The intent is that interference potential requirements applicable to television receiving apparatus now covered by current regulations be also applied to apparatus capable of recording television broadcasting.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **114 DOC - A 87**

114. Amendment of the Telecommunications Apparatus Technical Assessment and Testing Fees Regulations to ensure recovery of costs.

Description

In accordance with the principle of recovery of departmental costs, the fees charged for the technical assessment, testing and certification of radio and technical equipment are periodically reviewed and revised. This proposal, to come into effect in the first quarter of 1988, will adjust the level of fees and possible methods of labelling to reflect current costs of providing these services.

Statutory Authority

Financial Administration Act.

Anticipated Impact

This proposal will recover the increased costs to the department. The increases in fees proposed are not likely to be perceived to be prohibitive. It is not expected to have an inordinate effect on small businesses that use the department's facilities and services.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

July 1987.

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Title of Proposal **115 DOC - A 87**

115. Amendment of the Radio Interference Regulations to revise radiation limits and to add conduction limits of industrial, scientific, medical (ISM) equipment.

Description

Experience with ISM equipment has necessitated reviewing the limits that currently govern radiation of radio frequency noise by this equipment. This proposal will provide, by the end of 1987, new and more realistic radiation limits and establish conduction limits along power supply lines.

Statutory Authority

Radio Act, R.S.C. 1970, c.R-1, section 6.

Anticipated Impact

By establishing limits that conform more accurately with international standards, this proposal will facilitate the marketing of ISM equipment.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
September 1987.

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MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **116 DOC - B 87**
116. Deletion of aspects of the General Radio Regulations that currently restrict the operation of the Canadian General Radio Service and the U.S. Citizens Band while in Canada, and transborder communication between the two services.

Description
Existing regulations require Canadian General Radio Service (GRS) licensees visiting the United States and American Citizens Radio Service (CB) users visiting Canada to obtain written authority to operate their stations in the other country. Since agreement has been reached between the Canadian and United States administrations to abolish these requirements, the Canada/U.S. Treaty was terminated on November 7, 1984. Associated with this is the regulatory provision that prohibits radiocommunications across the border between these two services. This proposal, to come into effect in the summer of 1987, is intended to eliminate these restrictive provisions in conjunction with changes made to the Radio Operator Certificate Regulations.

Statutory Authority
Radio Act, R.S.C. 1970, c.R-1, sections 6 and 7.

Anticipated Impact
This proposal will establish a consistent approach between Canada and the U.S.A. in GRS/CB operation and facilitate use of this service by U.S. CB users while in Canada and Canadian GRS users while in the U.S.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
February 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **117 DOC - B 87**

117. Amendments to the Radio Operator Certificate Regulations to establish more appropriate certification of radio operators consistent with current practice.

Description

In 1982, a Task Force was established by the Departments of Communications and Transport to review the role and duties of radio operators, and to determine the class of certificate required to carry out the duties of an operator at particular radio stations. The recommendations of the Task Force were published in November 1982 and comments were solicited from the public. This proposal encompasses the conclusions reached and changes required to introduce new classes of radio operator certificates, delete certain existing classes and revise the statements of duties and qualifications. These changes are expected to come into effect in the summer of 1987.

Statutory Authority

Radio Act, R.S.C. 1970, c.R-1, sections 6 and 7.

Anticipated Impact

Professional radio operators and the public will have a wider variety of certificates to choose from, each being more appropriate to the particular needs and current and foreseen use of the radio services involved. Safety services, in particular, will benefit from the introduction of operator certification requirements that are more rigorous and appropriate to the needs of the maritime and aeronautical mobile services.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

February 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **118 DOC - B 87**

118. Amendment of the General Radio Regulations, Part II, and the Radio Interference Regulations to permit the expanded use of emergency locator radio beacons.

Description

Under existing regulations, devices that transmit radio frequency signals to facilitate search and rescue operations by indicating the position of a distress situation are only authorized for use in marking the location of a downed aircraft or a sunken ship. As a result of concerns expressed about these limitations, the department proposes to broaden the existing regulations to permit voluntary fitting of emergency locator beacons aboard other types of vessels. Changes to the regulations that allow this expansion of use are scheduled to come into effect on June 1, 1987.

Statutory Authority

Radio Act, R.S.C. 1970, c.R-1, sections 3 and 6.

Anticipated Impact

Canadian manufacturers/importers of these beacons will have a larger market as recreational boaters choose to outfit their vessels with these beacons. While incurring greater expense to equip their craft, owners and operators of aircraft and vessels will gain increased security in case of an emergency.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 15, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **119 DOC - B 87**

119. Amendment of the General Radio Regulations, Part II, to exempt radio scanning receivers from licensing requirements.

Description

Difficulties have been encountered in interpreting and applying the provisions of the regulations regarding licensing of radio receivers not intended for broadcast reception. Current examples are the radio scanning receivers which scan radio frequencies and pick up transmissions from police and fire fighting services, cellular telephone service, taxi dispatch, etc.

These devices do not cause interference to radio transmission or affect the availability of the valuable radio spectrum resource. No advantage, therefore, can be seen in continuing to licence them. Exemption to their licensing is expected to be in place by April 1, 1987.

Statutory Authority

Radio Act, R.S.C. 1970, c.R-1, section 3.

Anticipated Impact

Public safety services may believe that exempting these scanners from licensing may result in increased use and abuse by the public. This fear is, in the department's opinion, unfounded.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

September 2, 1986.

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Title of Proposal **120 DOC - B 87**

120. Deletion and amendment of certain sections of the General Radio Regulations, Part II, concerning antenna supporting structures and safety of radio equipment.

Description

The adequacy of regulations relating to antenna supporting structures and the safety of radio transmitting equipment have been of concern for some time to both the department and those affected by the regulations. We intend to revoke regulatory provisions which govern safety aspects such as the painting and lighting of antenna supporting structures, the Private Receiving Antenna Construction Order and safety aspects related to the installation of amateur radio stations aboard aircraft. Transfer of these responsibilities to Transport Canada will take place in fall of 1987.

Statutory Authority

Radio Act, R.S.C. 1970, c.R-1, section 7.

Anticipated Impact

Those who wish to erect antenna structures will consult directly with Transport Canada to obtain approval. Municipalities will no longer be delegated the powers to inspect private receiving antennae. Transport Canada will also take on sole responsibility for installation of radio equipment on board aircraft.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
July 31, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **121 DOC - B 87**

121. Amendment of the General Radio Regulations to expand the frequency range available for amateur radio operation to include the 18 MHz and 24 MHz bands.

Description
Amateur radio operator access to the 18 MHz and 24 MHz bands was authorized internationally at the 1979 World Administrative Radio Conference predicated upon the clearance of these frequencies by non-amateur users. Canadian commercial and government users have been reassigned to other frequencies since October 1, 1985. As a result, these bands are now ready for use by Canadian amateurs.

Statutory Authority
Radio Act, R.S.C. 1970, c.R-1, section 7.

Anticipated Impact
This proposal will increase the scope of radio operation available to operators of the amateur radio service.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
November 1, 1986.

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Title of Proposal 122 DOC - B 87

122. Amendment of General Radio Regulations, Part II, to exempt certain Master Antenna TV (MATV) systems.

Description

No broadcasting undertaking may be established or operated except under and in accordance with a Technical Construction and Operating Certificate (TC&OC) issued by the Minister although an exemption to this requirement may be granted by the Minister. The purpose of this regulation is to delineate exemption conditions for MATV systems. Exemptions will not apply where aeronautical frequencies are involved and will be conditional upon MATV systems' adherence to radiation limits.

Statutory Authority

Radio Act, R.S.C. 1970, c.R-1, section 3.

Anticipated Impact

The exemption conditions will minimize regulatory burden while, at the same time, providing necessary continued protection to other radio services, in particular aeronautical navigation and communications services, from radio interference from MATV systems.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1987.

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Title of Proposal 123 DOC - B 87

123. Amendment of General Radio Regulations, Part I and II, to broaden the definition of apparatus capable of receiving television broadcasting.

Description

The sale of apparatus capable of receiving television broadcasting is not permitted unless it conforms to the categories and technical requirements established by the Minister under current regulations. The three categories of apparatus recognized by the current regulations are sufficiently narrow to preclude the sale of various home entertainment and video products for which a market now exists. This amendment proposes to broaden the scope of the regulations by introducing a fourth category.

Statutory Authority
Radio Act, R.S.C. 1970, c.R-1, sections 6 and 7.

Anticipated Impact
The broadening of the range of permitted devices to include direct broadcast satellite receivers, limited channel capability receivers (receivers-monitors), and a wide range of special purpose equipment such as decoders and descramblers, will increase options for the viewing public.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
This proposal has been pre-published in Canada Gazette Part I (TRS-013-86) on July 5, 1986.

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Title of Proposal **124 DOC - B 87**

124. Amendment of the General Radio Regulations, Part II, to improve the process of radio equipment certification and labelling.

Description
On application, the department issues certificates assigning type approval numbers to manufacturers, importers and distributors whose radio equipment complies with minimum technical performance standards established or proposed by the department for various types of radio equipment. In some cases, these type approval numbers are being misappropriated and radio equipment is being labelled to indicate it meets departmental standards when it does not. In addition to being unfair to certificate holders who have incurred the expense of complying with established standards, this practice is detrimental to users of the radio spectrum who may be affected by harmful interference from non-certified radio equipment. This proposal, expected to come into effect in the last quarter of 1987, will prohibit the misappropriation of certification numbers by explicitly including sanctions in the regulations.

Statutory Authority
Radio Act, R.S.C. 1970, c.R-1, section 7.

Anticipated Impact

Fairness and consistency will be introduced into the equipment manufacturing and distribution sectors and the quality of the radio frequency environment will be enhanced.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

September 1987.

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Title of Proposal **125 DOC - B 87**

125. Addition of provisions to the Radio Interference Regulations to reduce radio interference caused by high voltage power systems.

Description

Although a voluntary Canadian Standards Association standard has existed for some time, the number of radio interference complaints that are caused by high voltage power systems has been consistently large. This proposal, when it comes into effect in the first quarter of 1987, is intended to reduce this interference.

Statutory Authority

Radio Act, R.S.C. 1970, c.R-1, section 6.

Anticipated Impact

This proposal will serve to enhance the radio frequency environment for radio users and the general public by reducing the interference experienced on broadcast and non-broadcast channels.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

This proposal was published in the Canada Gazette, Part I, on December 11, 1982.

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Title of Proposal **126 DOC - B 87**

126. Amendment of the Radio Interference Regulations to prevent use of sub-standard digital apparatus.

Description

Digital apparatus, including computers and games, may create interference to television and radio reception. This proposal will amend the Radio Interference Regulations to prevent equipment, that is technically unacceptable for use in the U.S., from being "dumped" onto the Canadian market. The amendment is expected to come into effect in the first quarter of 1987.

Statutory Authority

Radio Act, R.S.C. 1970, c.R-1, section 6.

Anticipated Impact

This proposal will help to relieve the public of the nuisance of broadcast interference experienced as a result of the use in Canada of digital equipment that is unacceptable.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Draft amendments were published in the Canada Gazette on March 8, 1986.

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ROUTINE INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **127 DOC - C 87**

127. Amendment to clarify, rationalize and update General Radio Regulations, Part II.

Description

The General Radio Regulations, Part II, were first promulgated on August 28, 1963. Since then, changes have been made to General Radio Regulations, Part I without associated revisions being made to Part II. To relate both Parts more closely in terms of style, language and definitions, various changes are proposed to Part II which will establish consistency, remove translation errors and improve the integrity of both Parts. Anticipated date of implementation is July 1, 1987.

Statutory Authority

Radio Act, R.S.C. 1970, c.R-1, section 7.

Anticipated Impact

Since the amendments proposed are essentially "housekeeping" initiatives that will serve to formalize current practice, there will be no impact on the public other than to make the Radio Regulations more logical, consistent and comprehensible to radio users who refer to these regulations.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

April 1, 1987.

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PART C - CULTURAL AFFAIRS

MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **128 DOC - B 87**

128. New regulation prescribing terms and conditions governing the deposit with the Public Archives of Canada of a copy of a recording. In this respect, "recording" means anything on which sounds or images or both are fixed, regardless of form.

Description

The Public Archives conserves private and public records of national significance. A proposed regulation would define "recording" in a manner consistent with the acquisition policy of the responsible division of the Public Archives, the National Film, Television and Sound Archives.

Statutory Authority

Proposed Archives Act.

Anticipated Impact

This new regulation would have a relatively narrow impact. This would apply to film and sound recording producers and distributors in Canada holding materials that fit within the acquisition mandate of the National Film, Television and Sound Archives Division of the Public Archives of Canada. It should be noted that the Archives intends to pay for laboratory costs incurred in making a deposit copy.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Autumn 1987.

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Title of Proposal **129 DOC - B 87**

129. New regulations prescribing terms and conditions governing the transfer to the Public Archives of Canada of records of government institutions and ministerial records that are of historic or archival importance.

Description

While this would be a new regulation it would serve the same purpose as a) the Public Records Order of 1966 and b) Chapter 460 of the Treasury Board Administrative Policy Manual, which dates from 1983.

Statutory Authority

Proposed Archives Act.

Anticipated Impact

It is expected that the impact will be the same as that of the instruments now in effect.

It would affect government institutions but not Canadian society or the economy.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Autumn 1987.

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CONSUMER AND CORPORATE AFFAIRS CANADA

Roles and Responsibilities

Consumer and Corporate Affairs Canada was created in 1967 to foster a more effective and efficient market system by bringing together in one department the diverse federal programs providing the regulatory framework for the Canadian marketplace. In essence, the Department's role is to ensure that rules for marketplace behaviour are adequate and properly administered, and to redress the imbalance between producers and consumers through consumer protection and representation. The Department's mission, then, is to maintain and administer an adequate legal and institutional framework for private economic activity. In addition, the Minister, as Registrar General of Canada, issues and registers formal and official documents on behalf of the Government of Canada.

The department's endeavours complement other federal programs, particularly Agriculture, Communications, External Affairs, National Health and Welfare, Transport and the departments of Finance and Justice. In keeping with its mandate for the legal structure of the Canadian market system, the department is particularly concerned with ensuring the effective and efficient administration of marketplace laws and regulations, their appropriateness and that Canadian consumers are adequately protected and their interests promoted.

The department's principal tools for achieving its strategic aims stem from more than 70 Acts and their attendant regulations which the department administers.

The duties specified in the Department of Consumer and Corporate Affairs Act, RSC 1970, c. C-27 include functions relating to consumer affairs, corporations, combines and competition policy, bankruptcies and insolvency, patents, trademarks, copyright, consumer goods standards, legal metrology, and those stemming from the responsibilities of the Registrar General of Canada. Pursuant to the Constitution Act, many of these responsibilities are under federal jurisdiction exclusively.

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MAJOR INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal 130 CCAC - A 87

130. A National Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS).

Description

There is no uniform system in Canada to ensure that information on hazardous substances used in the workplace is available. Employers and workers have a "right to know" about the hazardous substances used in the workplace to carry out their responsibilities.

Health and safety in the workplace is generally a responsibility of the provinces. However, in order to mandate a nationwide system that will govern imports as well as products made in Canada, the department was requested to participate. Following extensive interaction between all parties involved, the Minister agreed to make minor amendments to the Hazardous Products Act in order to implement the federal aspects of the Workplace Hazardous Materials Information System (WHMIS).

Statutory Authority

Hazardous Products Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. H-3.

Anticipated Impact

An initial Socio-Economic Impact Analysis on WHMIS completed in April 1985 indicated that costs, over a forty-year period, would be greater than the private and public sector benefits by $932 million. A Regulatory Impact Analysis Statement prepared in light of subsequent refinements to WHMIS, concludes that over the long term the benefits exceed the costs by at least $300 million as expressed in present values.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1987.

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MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal 131 CCAC - B 87

131. Amendment to the Children's Sleepwear Flammability Regulations.

Description

Based on available statistics, approximately 21 children under the age of nine are severely burned and one or two die due to sleepwear fires. In June 1986, the Minister of Consumer and Corporate Affairs announced that he had accepted the unanimous recommendation of an advisory committee composed of industry, labour, retail, medical and public interest representatives to increase the stringency of regulations. The new regulations will affect only the most hazardous styles of children's sleepwear (i.e. nightgowns, robes, tailored and baby-doll pyjamas) and are to take effect in September 1987.

Statutory Authority

Hazardous Products Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. H-3, S. 8.

Anticipated Impact

A study concluded that the proposed action would prevent one or two deaths and 11 severe burn injuries every year. Affected garments would increase in price by an estimated 15 - 20 per cent and between 0 - 40 jobs would be lost. The proposed timing for implementation minimizes to the greatest extent possible the short term impacts on industry and retailers.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

November 1986, with the finalized regulations being submitted in early 1987.

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Title of Proposal **132 CCAC - B 87**

132. Amendment to the Hazardous Products (Hazardous Substances) Regulations.

Description

The Hazardous Products (Hazardous Substances) Regulations, issued in March 1970, require precautionary labelling and child-resistant packaging for a variety of hazardous chemical consumer products. The regulations are being reviewed to correct deficiencies and to improve consumer protection with respect to chemical products.

Statutory Authority

Hazardous Products Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. H-3.

Anticipated Impact

The economic impact of these initiatives should be minor since most will only involve labelling requirements. Industry will be provided sufficient time to incorporate the required safety information in concert with normal changes to product labels.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

It is anticipated that amendments to the regulations in the areas listed below will have pre-publication dates as follows:

a) labelling of flammable aerosol containers, December 1986;
b) child-resistant packaging, January 1987;
c) labelling of corrosive substances, December 1987; and
d) labelling of flammable substances, December 1987.

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Title of Proposal **133 CCAC - B 87**

133. Revision of the Hazardous Products (Toys) Regulations.

Description

The Hazardous Products (Toys) Regulations were introduced in 1970, and, although minor amendments have been made over the years, there is a need to consolidate and update the Regulations in the light of enforcement experience and new developments in the industry.

Statutory Authority

Hazardous Products Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. H-3, s. 8(1) and (2).

Anticipated Impact

The anticipated impact is not expected to be high. Adequate lead time will be provided for industry to modify productions. A study of the regulatory impact will be carried out as per government policy.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

December 1987.

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Title of Proposal **134 CCAC - B 87**

134. Proposed Baby Walkers Regulations.

Description

There are two distinct problem areas associated with baby walkers. The first is one of product design and the second of parental supervision. Many children's injuries are caused by inadequate design features of some baby walkers. In addition, children are suffering major injuries and death as a result of falling down unguarded stairways in baby walkers. In the area of inadequate design, the department, in cooperation with industry, is developing draft safety standards for baby walkers. It is expected that the product will be regulated under the Hazardous Products Act.

Statutory Authority

Hazardous Products Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. H-3, s. 8(1)(b).

Anticipated Impact

The anticipated impact is not expected to be high. Adequate lead time will be provided for industry to modify productions. An evaluation of potential impacts will be carried out as per government policy.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

August 1987.

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Title of Proposal **135 CCAC - B 87**

135. Amendment to Ban the Sale of Free Asbestos Fibres and Fibrous Erionite to Consumers.

Description

Inhalation of airborne asbestos dust is recognized as a health hazard. It is the position of the federal government that, with adequate control measures, it is possible to use asbestos with a low degree of risk no greater than that acceptable in other situations. Since consumers lack the equipment and expertise to use free asbestos and fibrous erionite safely, the department is proposing an amendment to ban the sale of these products to the general public.

Statutory Authority
Hazardous Products Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. H-3.

Anticipated Impact
The proposed ban should have little or no economic impact. The asbestos companies had agreed not to sell free asbestos fibres to the general public but a few retail outlets still offer the product for sale to consumers.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **136 CCAC - B 87**

136. Amendment to the Hazardous Products (Hazardous Substances) Regulations to Require Warning Labelling on Products Containing Methylene Chloride.

Description
Methylene chloride has been determined to be a carcinogen to laboratory animals. In the United States, industry, in agreement with consumer groups and the Consumer Product Commission, has adopted a voluntary statement warning consumers that this compound could cause cancer in humans.

Statutory Authority
Hazardous Products Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. H-3.

Anticipated Impact
Anticipated impact is not expected to be high. Adequate lead time will be provided for industry to phase in the use of new labels bearing the required safety information.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **137 CCAC - B 87**
137. Tent Flammability Regulations.

Description

Cotton tents can burn to the ground in as little as 45 seconds. Based on available statistics, each year three deaths and five injuries occur as a result of tent fires. Over 60 per cent of victims are children. In order to deal with the problem, flammability warning labels and requirements to reduce the flammability of tent fabrics are being proposed. The regulations on labelling are expected to come into effect in early 1987. All manufacturers and importers currently comply with these proposed regulations. The requirements dealing with the flammability of tent fabrics are planned to take effect in November 1988.

Statutory Authority

Hazardous Products Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. H-3, s. 8.

Anticipated Impact

The potential impacts of the regulations were assessed and it is estimated that two lives will be saved annually as a direct result of the regulations. The principal costs of the proposal are an estimated 5 to 20 per cent increase in the price of tents and the loss of 32 person-years of employment.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

It is anticipated that the labelling regulations will be pre-published in October 1986, and that the tent fabric flammability regulation will be pre-published in February 1987.

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Title of Proposal **138 CCAC - B 87**
138. Proposed Baby Gates and Enclosures Regulations.

Description

A number of injuries to children are caused by inadequate design features and performance characteristics of some baby gates and enclosures. The department, in cooperation with industry and the American Society for Testing and Materials, intends to propose a regulation for baby gates and enclosures under the Hazardous Products Act. Proposed Regulations would become effective approximately four months after pre-publication in the Canada Gazette.

Statutory Authority
Hazardous Products Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. H-3, s. 8(1)(b).

Anticipated Impact
Anticipated impact is not expected to be high. Adequate lead time will be provided for industry to modify productions. A study of the impacts will be carried out as per government policy.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
October 1987.

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Title of Proposal **139 CCAC - B 87**
139. New Regulations: Warning Labels on Flammable Adhesives.

Description
Since 1980, the department has learned of 22 accidents, including two deaths, resulting from the ignition of solvent vapours from adhesives. The adhesives contain large concentrations of volatile, flammable solvents.

Regulatory measures requiring additional precautionary labelling, as well as a public information campaign, are being considered to improve the safety of these products. Industry had indicated its support of regulatory, rather than voluntary, action.

Statutory Authority
Hazardous Products Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. H-3.

Anticipated Impact
Preliminary consultation with industry had indicated that the economic impact of the proposed changes would be minimized by providing a lead time in which to meet the new labelling requirements.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
March 1987.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **140 CCAC - B 87**

140. Amendment to the Hazardous Products (Hazardous Substances) Regulations to Require Warning Labelling for Products Containing Hydrofluoric Acid.

Description

Hydrofluoric acid, an extremely corrosive and toxic chemical, damages the skin and can result in painful, slow-healing necrosis. Many physicians are unaware of the special treatment required; washing the exposed skin is not sufficient.

The department is considering regulatory measures to restrict the sale of products containing hydrofluoric acid as well as requiring specific warning labels. This is to be implemented by December 1987 after consultations with industry in 1986.

Statutory Authority

Hazardous Products Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. H-3.

Anticipated Impact

There would be little anticipated impact since there are substitutes already in use in the marketplace except for one area of use, glass etching by hobbyists. The department will make a final determination of the need for a Regulatory Impact Analysis Statement prior to pre-publication.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

April 1987.

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Title of Proposal **141 CCAC - B 87**

141. Proposed Life Jackets and Life-Saving Cushions Regulations.

Description

Life jackets and life-saving cushions that are not approved under the Canada Shipping Act cannot be used aboard vessels but may be sold to the general public.

Thus, a hazard may exist for the consumer who purchased a sub-standard product for either off-vessel or on-vessel use. The Department, in co-operation with the Department of Transport, is proposing to mandate appropriate Canadian General Standards Board standards for life jackets and life-saving cushions under the Hazardous Products Act. It is expected that the Regulations will be promulgated by May 1987.

Statutory Authority

Hazardous Products Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. H-3, s. 8(1)(b).

Anticipated Impact

The economic impact of these regulations should be minor as industry has been producing products in compliance with the standard.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

The proposed anticipated regulations were published in the Canada Gazette, Part I, on September 22, 1984.

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Title of Proposal **142 CCAC - B 87**

142. Amendments to Hazardous Products (Lighters) Regulations.

Description

Regulations under the Hazardous Products Act governing the safety performance and labelling of lighters first came into force in 1979. The proposed revisions are required to make the Regulations consistent with more stringent international safety standards which have subsequently been developed and to prevent Canada from becoming a dumping ground for sub-standard lighters. The proposed amendment should become effective in November 1987.

Statutory Authority

Hazardous Products Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. H-3, S. 7.

Anticipated Impact

All lighters are marketed world-wide and lighter manufacturers currently meet these requirements in other countries, therefore, the amendments will have little or no impact.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
February 1987.

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Title of Proposal **143 CCAC - B 87**
143. Amendments to Hazardous Products (Matches) Regulations.

Description
Regulations governing the safety and labelling of matches were introduced under the Hazardous Products Act in 1972. The proposed amendments are intended to simplify and clarify the regulations, address deficiencies, deal with new hazards which have been identified and improve safety labelling requirements. It is anticipated that the amendments will only take effect 12 months after their promulgation in order to allow manufacturers time to adjust.

Statutory Authority
Hazardous Products Act, R.S.C. 1970, C.H.-3, S. 7.

Anticipated Impact
The costs to industry and consumers of the proposed revisions are expected to be minimal.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
June 1987.

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Title of Proposal **144 CCAC - B 87**
144. Review of "Part X: Fees and Charges" of the Electricity and Gas Inspection Regulations.

Description
The proposed review of electricity and gas fees and charges is consistent with recent government initiatives to achieve an optimum level of cost recovery for

inspection services. The purpose of the proposed review is to evaluate current fee levels and assessment methods with respect to the cost recovery initiative and the potential impact on the industry.

Statutory Authority

Electricity and Gas Inspection Act, S.C. 1980-81-82-83, c. 87, s. 28(1)(e) and (f).

Anticipated Impact

The potential impact of the proposed review is unknown pending its outcome.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

September 1987.

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Title of Proposal **145 CCAC - B 87**

145. Tax Rebate Discounting Regulations.

Description

Regulations may be drafted establishing a fee schedule to recover from discounters the direct government costs of printing and shipping the Schedule I forms, the Schedule II forms, and art masters that are provided to them. Regulations may also be drafted setting out, substantially as they are now presented in the procedures manuals and technical bulletins, certain procedural details such as specifications for the printing of forms from art masters and the procedure for applying for a discounter code. The decision on whether to recommend that these regulations take effect in late 1987, for the 1988 discounting season, will be made after the 1987 market profile is assessed.

Statutory Authority

Tax Rebate Discounting Act, section 10.

Anticipated Impact

The proposal will result in cost savings (of perhaps ten to fifty thousand dollars per year) to the government. Most of the forms now in use are printed by the discounters themselves. Discounters who order forms from the government generally order small numbers (the 1986 median was about 200). While these discounters are generally smaller independent businesses, the cost impact on most of them is therefore expected to be slight. Specifying procedural requirements in regulations will increase clarity and help ensure compliance, but will not place any additional burden on legitimate discounters.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

September 1987, if the decision to proceed is made.

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Title of Proposal **146 CCAC - B 87**

146. Review of Claims Regulations to permit implementation of nutrition labelling.

Description

A joint Consumer and Corporate Affairs and National Health and Welfare project to amend the Food and Drug Regulations to remove regulatory restrictions on the provision of information on the nutrient content of foods and to implement nutrition labelling is proposed. This will enable the food industry to provide consumers with more information on the nutrient content of foods on labels and in advertising.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, s. 25(1).

Anticipated Impact

The impact will be an added cost for labelling to those industry sectors who choose to adopt nutrition labelling; however, it will provide more information to consumers on the nutritional properties of food.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

May 1987.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **147 CCAC - B 87**

147. Labelling of Irradiated Foods.

Description

Food processors have requested authorization to extend the use of food irradiation for the purposes of increasing the quality, safety and shelf-life of foods. A proposed regulatory change being initiated by Health and Welfare Canada, to broaden the scope of its application and identify irradiation as a process rather than a food additive, requires the development of a labelling system to identify treated foods. Consideration is being given to establishing a new regulation pertaining to the labelling of irradiated foods in Part I of the Food and Drug Regulations. The proposal will receive publication in Part II of the Canada Gazette, with a promulgation date to be coincident with that of Health and Welfare Canada's regulatory amendment.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, Section 25.

Anticipated Impact

The proposal has a potential impact of placing additional labelling requirements with some cost implications, on food processors. However, consumers will be provided with a means of distinguishing treated from non-treated products.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

December 1986.

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Title of Proposal **148 CCAC - B 87**

148. Review of Country of Origin Labelling Requirements - Textiles and Clothing.

Description

The government will be undertaking a review of current labelling regulations concerning country of manufacture (under the Textile Labelling and Advertising Regulations administered by CCAC and the Marking of Imported Goods Order administered by Revenue Canada). The objective is to assess whether current requirements provide an adequate basis for consumers to distinguish between Canadian and imported textiles and clothing. In addition, the harmonization of Canadian requirements with the more comprehensive U.S. Federal Trade Commission requirements will be examined.

Statutory Authority

Textile Labelling Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. 46, s. 11.
Customs Tariff, s. 17, Order in Council P.C. 1963-1775, December 1963, as amended.

Anticipated Impact

A reduction in the Canadian market share of certain imported textile products.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Date of pre-publication to be determined, however, consultations with interested parties will commence in October 1986.

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Title of Proposal **149 CCAC - B 87**

149. Updating of the food labelling regulation requirements.

Description

Several Food and Drug Labelling Regulations relative to a number of non-substantive issues require amendment to reflect technological developments, changing industry/consumer trends and to clarify their intent.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, Section 25.

Anticipated Impact

Minor impact inasmuch as the proposed amendments require little or no changes to the packaging or labelling of the foods involved.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

December 1986.

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Title of Proposal **150 CCAC - B 87**

150. Durability Dating Requirements.

Description

Retailers who prepackage products have difficulty applying the different dating requirements applicable to a wide range of products.

Amendment of Section B.01.007 of the Food and Drug Regulations to require a durable life date on factory-packed foods, a packaging date on retail-packed foods, and durable life information on retail displays is being proposed.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, s. 25(1).

Anticipated Impact

This proposal will maintain information requirements for consumers while enabling retailers to use a single dating system. Cost implications, in relation to existing requirements, are expected to be negligible.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Prior to December 31, 1986.

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Title of Proposal **151 CCAC - B 87**

151. Bulk Meat Advertising.

Description

The Food and Drug Regulations concerning bulk sales of beef at retail require clarification, extension to other species, and metrication of net quantity declarations.

Appropriate amendments to Section B.14.018 of the Food and Drug Regulations are being proposed.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, s. 25(1).

Anticipated Impact

This proposal, in response to industry concerns, will benefit traders by clarifying regulatory requirements. Consumers will benefit from the prominent display of information in relation to all species. Cost implications, in relation to existing requirements, are expected to be negligible.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Prior to December 31, 1986.

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Title of Proposal 152 CCAC - B 87
152. Specifications for Electronic Registers, Automatic Temperature Compensators (ATC) and Propane Dispensers.

Description
The existing Regulations contain no provisions specific to the performance, design, composition and construction of electronic registers, ATC's and propane dispensers. These provisions are required to control influence factors that can affect measurement accuracy and preclude fraudulent use of these devices.

Statutory Authority
Weights and Measures Act, S.C. 1970-71-72, C. 36, S. 10.

Anticipated Impact
There is no major impact, as these specifications will only standardize what is already generally accepted industry practice.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
March 1987.

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Title of Proposal 153 CCAC - B 87
153. Specifications for In-motion Railroad Weighing.

Description
The department has drafted ministerial specifications relating to the design, composition, construction, installation and use of in-motion railroad scales. These

specifications are required to effectively regulate new technology and methods of weighing.

Statutory Authority
Weights and Measures Act, S.C. 1970-71-72, C. 36, S. 10.

Anticipated Impact
Minor impact as these specifications will only standardize what is already generally accepted industry practice.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **154 CCAC - B 87**
154. Specifications for Installation and Use of Vehicle Scales.

Description
The Weights and Measures Regulations contain general requirements for scales, concentrating mainly on mechanical systems but they do not provide installation and use requirements specific to electronic applications.

Statutory Authority
Weights and Measures Act, S.C. 1970-71-72, C. 36, S. 10.

Anticipated Impact
There is no significant impact anticipated, as these specifications will only standardize what is already generally accepted industry practice.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
July 1987.

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Title of Proposal **155 CCAC - B 87**
155. Specifications for Installation and Use of Metering Assemblies.

Description

Existing regulations only provide basic and general requirements for the installation and use of metering assemblies. These proposed specifications will provide requirements that are better adapted to the types of meters and measured products currently found in the marketplace, and will also clarify the intent of some general regulations.

Statutory Authority

Weights and Measures Act, S.C. 1970-71-72, C. 36, S. 10.

Anticipated Impact

Minor impact as these specifications will only standardize what is ready generally accepted industry practice.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

December 1987.

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Title of Proposal **156 CCAC - B 87**

156. Declaration of country of origin on the labels of wines.

Description

The present regulation does not provide for an accurate description of the product source. Consideration is being given to amending Section B.02.108 of the Food and Drug Regulations.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, s. 25.

Anticipated Impact

Will clarify product origin information for consumers with minimal cost impact to industry in relation to current labelling requirements.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

March 31, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **157 CCAC - B 87**
157. Thermal Resistance Ratings for Textiles.

Description

An examination of the feasibility of establishing a thermal resistance rating program for consumer textile articles such as winter outerwear and sleeping bags is proposed. Consumers could use this pre-purchase information on insulating characteristics to judge the suitability of the rated article for certain climates or end-uses.

The outcome of this study may be a voluntary labelling scheme or development of new regulations.

Statutory Authority

Textile Labelling Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. 46, s. 11.

Anticipated Impact

The adoption of a mandatory program would have moderate impact on those industries who would otherwise not participate on a voluntary basis.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Date of pre-publication to be determined, however, consultations with interested parties will commence in March 1987.

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Title of Proposal **158 CCAC - B 87**
158. Marking of Hollow Ware and Flatware Articles.

Description

As a result of industry representations received by the Department, the present requirement to mark the base metal of hollow ware and flatware articles is to be reviewed. In addition, the need for minimum plating thickness requirements on these articles will be examined.

The following options are among those to be considered:
- delete the requirement to indicate the base metal on

hollow ware and flatware articles;
- retain the requirement but allow additional means of indicating the base metal;
- delete the requirement to indicate base metal but introduce a minimum plating thickness requirement for hollow ware and flatware.

Statutory Authority
Precious Metals Marking Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. P-19, s. 9.

Anticipated Impact
Consumers will be provided with more meaningful information, with less burden imposed on industry.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
March 1987.

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Title of Proposal **159 CCAC - B 87**
159. Care Labelling of Textiles.

Description
A review will be undertaken to consider changes to the current voluntary care labelling program in order to improve consumer comprehension of the system and to increase harmonization with internationally accepted care labelling standards.

The outcome of this review may be continuation of a voluntary labelling scheme or development of new regulations.

Statutory Authority
Textile Labelling Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. 46, s. 11.

Anticipated Impact
The adoption of a mandatory care labelling program would have moderate impact on those industries which do not presently participate on a voluntary basis.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Date of pre-publication to be determined, however, consultations with interested parties will commence in September 1987.

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Title of Proposal 160 CCAC - B 87

160. Labelling regulations pertaining to mineral water.

Description

The lack of differentiation between "mineral" and "spring" waters and discrepancies between existing provincial and federal regulatory labelling requirements are impeding equity in the marketing of these products. Consideration is being given to amending Food and Drug Regulations to remove existing impediments.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, Section 25.

Anticipated Impact

Will provide for harmonization of federal/provincial regulations; ensure more accurate information for consumers, and impose minimal cost to industry in relation to current labelling requirements.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

March 1987.

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Title of Proposal 161 CCAC - B 87

161. Weights and Measures Act - Amendment of the Definitions of Device, Weighing Machine and Measuring Machine.

Description

The existing definitions of device, weighing machine and measuring machine do not permit the Department to regulate counting machines and some types of energy meters. New definitions will allow for the regulation of counting scales and heat meters to minimize inaccurate measurement of goods and services measured by these devices.

Statutory Authority
Not applicable.

Anticipated Impact
There is no adverse impact on society or the economy. Parties wishing to use these devices in trade will be required to have devices that are approved and inspected and capable to measuring accurately.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **162 CCAC - B 87**
162. Weights and Measures Regulations - Testing Liquified Petroleum Gases.

Description
The ever-expanding use of liquified petroleum gases (LPG) for motor fuel requires the making of amendments to the Weights and Measures Regulations to authorize the use of new types of testing standards, and establish limits of error for the new standards as well as devices tested with these standards.

Statutory Authority
Weights and Measures Act, S.C. 1970-71-72, C. 36, S. 10.

Anticipated Impact
The implementation of this proposal will allow for testing of a large number of devices in trade use that cannot be adequately tested at present. This will be of benefit to consumers and traders alike.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **163 CCAC - B 87**

163. Weights and Measures Regulations - Limits of Error for Devices.

Description

The Weights and Measures Act provides that some devices need not be approved or initially inspected prior to being used in trade. The exemption does not extend to the performance of these devices. When limits of error are not specified, it is assumed that no error is allowed and the device must operate without error. This proposal will establish limits of error for devices that are exempt from approval and initial inspection.

Statutory Authority

Weights and Measures Act, S.C. 1970-71-72, C. 36, S. 10.

Anticipated Impact

There is no significant impact anticipated other than users of these devices will be permitted generally accepted international allowances for device error.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

December 1987.

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Title of Proposal **164 CCAC - B 87**

164. Weights and Measures Act - Exemptions from Regulations.

Description

The Weights and Measures Act does not provide powers for the Governor in Council or the Minister to exempt certain classes of traders from any of the regulations to the Act. The department is currently reviewing options to provide for exemptions to certain regulations. The Minister will be making recommendations to Cabinet concerning revisions to section 10 of the Act to provide for an exemption making power. In addition, the Minister will recommend to Cabinet that the definition of "trade" in the Act be expanded to cover advertising.

Statutory Authority

Not applicable.

Anticipated Impact

No adverse impact can be expected, as exemptions should only be considered when a regulation is not appropriate in certain circumstances and an exemption is warranted.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **165 CCAC - B 87**

165. Weights and Measures Act - Statute of Limitations.

Description

At present there is no statute of limitations in the Weights and Measures Act, therefore, the Criminal Code takes precedence, giving a limit of six months. To facilitate certain investigations under the Weights and Measures Act, such as odometer tampering, a two-year statute of limitations is proposed for offences that follow summary conviction procedures.

Statutory Authority

Weights and Measures Act, S.C. 1970-71-72, C. 36, S. 10.

Anticipated Impact

There is no significant impact other than investigations may be prolonged to gather further evidence in possible criminal proceedings.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

June 1987.

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Title of Proposal **166 CCAC - B 87**

166. Energuide Regulations.

Description

The evaluation of the effectiveness of the Energuide program has been completed with the final decision made to terminate the program and revoke the appropriate regulations under the Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act (Sections 41-46). Energy, Mines and Resources will be initiating a replacement program to be announced prior to March 31, 1987.

Statutory Authority

Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act, S.C. 1970-71-72, c. 41, s. 18.

Anticipated Impact

To be determined pending the outcome of the replacement program being implemented by Energy, Mines and Resources.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

March 31, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **167 CCAC - B 87**

167. Consumer Packaging and Labelling Regulations & Weights and Measures Regulations - Commodity Testing and Limits of Error.

Description

In keeping with international agreements, it is proposed to amend regulatory requirements for determining the net quantity of commodities. These changes include the adoption of internationally accepted limits of error and test methods to reduce trade barriers between Canada and other signatories to these agreements.

Statutory Authority

Weights and Measures Act, S.C. 1970-71-72, C. 36, S. 10.

Anticipated Impact

There will be a positive impact for both packers and consumers as packaging costs may be reduced without jeopardizing fair measure to consumers.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

June 1987.

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ROUTINE INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **168 CCAC - C 87**

168. Amendment to Part I of the schedule to the Hazardous Products Act to reference the revised Canadian Standards Association's (CSA's) standard for ice hockey helmets.

Description

At present, the schedule to the Hazardous Products Act prescribes the requirements of the obsolete Canadian Standards Association's hockey helmet standard published in 1975. The Department is proposing to amend the schedule to the Act to prescribe the revised 1983 CSA hockey helmet standard. It is expected that the legislation will be effective April 1987.

Statutory Authority

Hazardous Products Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. H-3, s. 8(2).

Anticipated Impact

It is not anticipated that there will be an impact as the industry has been producing hockey helmets that meet the revised CSA standard.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

November 1986.

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Title of Proposal **169 CCAC - C 87**

169. Weights and Measures Regulations and Ministerial Specifications - Minor Amendments and Technical Updating.

Description

The present regulations and specifications, in many instances, do not allow for advances and changes that have taken place in measurement technology and practice, and inspection administration and techniques. Several revocations and revisions to the existing provisions are proposed including:

a) conditionally exempting certain devices from approval and inspection;
b) harmonizing commodity and device limits of error;
c) expanding tolerance tables for devices and measurement standards, and
d) removing or amending impediments to improved measurement technology and practice.

Statutory Authority

Weights and Measures Act, S.C. 1970-71-72, C. 36, S. 10.

Anticipated Impact

Although the number of revisions is large, there is not expected to be any significant impact on either device manufacturers or users.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **170 CCAC - C 87**

170. Proposed amendments to the Textile Labelling and Advertising Regulations concerning a) pile, coated and impregnated fabrics, b) updating generic names section, c) review of dealer identity number requirements, d) labelling of linings, interlinings, paddings and fillings, and e) labelling of unknown fibres.

Description

a) The Department proposes to update the existing Regulations for the purpose of clarification.

b) It is anticipated that a revised International Standard for "Man-made Fibres - Generic Names" will be published this year. The Department proposes to update the generic names section of the Regulations in order to harmonize them with this revised Standard.

c) The Department proposes to clarify the revocation process for dealer identity numbers and to assess the need for restrictions on the issuance of these numbers.

d) The Department proposes to clarify the definitions of linings, interlinings, paddings and fillings, and to assess the desirability of maintaining the current labelling exemptions for these constituent parts.

e) The Department proposes to make the labelling of unknown fibres more flexible by permitting unknown fibres to be disclosed in descending order of predominance without the percentages, and by permitting the term "miscellaneous" fibres as an alternate to "unknown" or "undetermined" fibres.

Statutory Authority

Textile Labelling Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. 46, s. 11.

Anticipated Impact

Clarification of the regulatory requirements, with no reduction in the level of consumer protection.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Date of pre-publication to be determined, however, consultations with interested parties will commence in December 1986, for proposed amendment a) and in September 1987, for proposed amendments b), c), d) and e).

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Title of Proposal **171 CCAC - C 87**

171. Proposed amendments to the Consumer Packaging and Labelling Regulations concerning a) the definition of "catch weight" b) bidimensional products, and c) metric recipes.

Description

a) Some products previously considered to fit the regulatory definition of "catch weight" product may now indeed be portioned and sold in pre-determined quantities.

b) The labelling requirements affecting bidimensional products and prepackaged products sold on the basis of a display model or by demonstrator have proven difficult to apply.

c) Label directions and recipes using dual metric and Canadian units of measure have created some confusion with respect to corresponding declarations of product yield.

With regard to the above three proposed amendments, the Department proposes to review the options of amending the existing Regulations, developing guidelines or criteria, or providing certain exemptions from the detailed labelling requirements.

Statutory Authority

Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act, S.C. 1970-71-72, c. 41, s. 18.

Anticipated Impact

Minimal, given the limited number of products to which these initiatives apply.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Date of pre-publication to be determined, however, consultations with interested parties will commence in September 1986, for proposed amendment a) and in October 1986 for proposed amendments b) and c).

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BUREAU OF CORPORATE AFFAIRS

MAJOR INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **172 CCAC - A 87**

172. Proposed Amendments to the Patent Act.

Description

Extensive changes to the Patent Act which will provide for early publication of patent applications, deferred examination of patent applications, a first-to-file system to determine inventors, as well as changes to the system of granting of compulsory licences to manufacture or import patented pharmaceuticals and the monitoring of the effects of those changes. There will also be provision for the ratification of the Patent Co-operation Treaty.

Statutory Authority

BNA Act.

Anticipated Impact

The amendments to the Patent Act will help to speed the transfer of technological information to Canadian business, and will harmonize Canada's patent system with most other industrialized countries. The new system of compulsory licensing will provide pharmaceutical companies with greater incentives to invest in Canada.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

December 31, 1986.

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MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **173 CCAC - B 87**

173. Financial Disclosure.

Description

New section of the Canada Business Corporations Regulations (the Regulations) will be required because Paragraph 154(1)(b) of the Canada Business Corporations Act (the Act) is being amended to remove the dollar limits therein and place them in the Regulations. This will enable the amounts to be adjusted from time to time to take into account inflation.

Statutory Authority

Section 254 of the Act.

Anticipated Impact

This will relieve certain small businesses from the expense of having to send to the Director appointed under the Act copies of their financial statements.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Within one month of the coming into force of the 1986 Miscellaneous Statute Law Amendment Act.

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Title of Proposal 174 CCAC - B 87

174. Insider Trading Report.

Description

Forms 24 and 25 of Schedule 1 to the Canada Business Corporations Regulations will be replaced with a single form for reporting Initial Reports of Insider Interests in the securities of corporations and changes of such interests. This will achieve uniformity with similar Provincial Reporting Requirements.

Statutory Authority

Sections 122 and 254 of Canada Business Corporations Act.

Anticipated Impact

This will relieve insiders from having to file different reports in different jurisdictions. By arrangements currently being conducted with the provincial jurisdictions the Uniform Report Form will be accepted by all jurisdictions.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Mid 1987.

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Title of Proposal 175 CCAC - B 87

175. Change of Definition of Small Entity in Patent Rules.

Description

It is proposed to remove the ceiling of two million dollars in the present definition. The present ceiling is based on out-dated figures and does not accomplish what was intended. Change may be done by Governor in Council.

Statutory Authority

Section 12 of the Patent Act.

Anticipated Impact

- Revenues will decrease slightly.
- Costs to small business will decrease by the same amount.
- A complicated rule will be simplified.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Cabinet discretion.

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Title of Proposal **176 CCAC - B 87**

176. Amendment of Trade Mark fee schedule for change of address of agent of record.

Description

- To insert a new fee of $25 to change the address of an agent of record.
- To avoid the requirement to pay many thousands of dollars presently avoided by changing this address only on renewal.
- This would allow the electronically-kept records to be kept up to date.
- Change to be made by Governor in Council in 1987.

Statutory Authority

Section 65 of the Trade Marks Act.

Anticipated Impact

- The electronically kept register of agents or record would be up-to-date.
- No decrease in revenue would result as agents now avoid the fee by delaying change until renewal of the Mark.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

November 1986.

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ROUTINE INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **177 CCAC - C 87**

177. Sections 36 and 41 of Canada Business Corporations Regulations (the Regulations) - Proxy Circulars.

Description

Technical amendments to accord with the authorizing wording of section 144 of the Canada Business Corporations Act (the Act). The Amendments are planned to come into effect as soon as a technical amendment of section 144 of the Act is made in the 1986 MSLA Bill.

Statutory Authority

Section 254 of the Act.

Anticipated Impact

None. Purely technical legal amendment suggested by the Joint Standing Committee of the Senate and of the House of Commons on Regulations and other Statutory Instruments.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

It is hoped that the amendment will be completed in 1986, but it may be delayed to 1987 depending on the date of passage of the 1986 MSLA Bill.

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Title of Proposal **178 CCAC - C 87**

178. Amendment of Trade Mark Rules.

Description

- Amendment to Rules 3, 5, 6, 7, 12, 13, 14, 15, 28, 32(1)(2)(3), 33(1), 40 to 51, and Schedule 1.
- Proposed in order to update the rules to reflect decisions and events of the last 20 years.
- Changes to made by Governor in Council 1987.

Statutory Authority

Section 65 of the Trade Marks Act.

Anticipated Impact

These are housekeeping provisions which will allow easier use of the system by the public.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Pre-published in the Regulatory Agenda of April 1986.

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BUREAU OF COMPETITION POLICY

MINOR INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **179 CCAC - B 87**

179. Regulations under Part VIII of the Competition Act.

Description

These regulations intend to specify the method of, and the time or annual period for, calculation of aggregate value of assets and gross revenue from sales for the purpose of the various thresholds (party size limit, asset limit, share limit, amalgamation limit, combination limit) which determine whether a transaction becomes subject to the prenotification requirements under the Competition Act. These regulations will become effective on the date of proclamation of Part VIII of the Competition Act, which is planned for January 1, 1987.

Statutory Authority

Section 96 of the Competition Act.

Anticipated Impact

These regulations contain definitions of time periods and procedures for calculating the thresholds identified above based on standard accounting practices and are designed to facilitate compliance with Part VIII of the Competition Act.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

October 1986.

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EMPLOYMENT AND IMMIGRATION CANADA

Roles and Responsibilities

The passage of Bill C-27, the Employment and Immigration Reorganization Act, in 1977, created the Canada Employment and Immigration Commission by integrating the Unemployment Insurance Commission and the Department of Manpower and Immigration. The legislation also created the Department of Employment and Immigration which provides services to the Commission and the Minister. The Commission and the Department together are titled the Canada Employment and Immigration Commission/Department (CEIC/D).

The objective of the Employment and Insurance Program is "to further the attainment of national economic and social goals by realizing the full productive potential of Canada's human resources, while supporting the initiatives of individuals to pursue their economic needs and, more generally, their self-fulfillment through work". The Unemployment Insurance Act is the major legislative base for the Employment and Insurance Program. The program exercises its mandate under the Unemployment Insurance Act and Regulations (including job creation, work sharing benefits and training benefits), the National Employment Service Regulations, the National Training Act and Regulations (formerly the Adult Occupational Training Act and Regulations), the Mobility Regulations and the Labour Mobility and Assessment Incentives Regulations made pursuant to Appropriation Acts.

The Immigration Program recruits, admits and helps in the adaptation of people deemed suitable residents, citizens, workers and visitors for Canada, and protects Canadians against the entry of undesirable non-Canadians. In these endeavours officials work with federal government departments, the provinces and the private sector. In immigration matters, the legislative authority is the Immigration Act, 1976 and Immigration Regulations, 1978.

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **180 EIC - A 87**

180. Immigration Regulations, 1978 - Amendment - Landings in Canada.

Description

It is proposed that the Order-in-Council procedure to authorize landing of individual applicants in Canada be replaced by provisions prescribing specific categories of eligible applicants. Proposed effective date: April 1, 1987.

Statutory Authority

Immigration Act, 1976 - paragraph 115(1)(ii) and subsection 9(1).

Anticipated Impact

Assessment of full impact will require in-depth study. Represents a major change in administration of the program which is intended to improve service to the public by significantly reducing case processing times.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **181 EIC - A 87**

181. Immigration Regulations, 1978 - Amendments (Refugee Determination).

Description

Amendments to Regulations governing the processing of claims to Convention refugee status, appeals of determinations that claimants are not Convention refugees and the granting of landed immigrant status to those determined to be Convention refugees. Proposed effective date: April 1, 1987.

Statutory Authority

Section 115(1), Immigration Act 1976.

Anticipated Impact

Permit more efficient desicion-making in Refugee Determination System.

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Title of Proposal **182 EIC - A 87**

182. Immigration Regulations, 1978 - Amendments - Financial Criteria for Sponsors and Guarantors.

Description

To provide authority for provinces to establish the financial criteria for sponsors and guarantors of immigrants, notwithstanding the absence of provincial legislation in this area. Presently, only provinces with legislation may do so, but it is considered desirable to enable all provinces to take a direct role in this area. Proposed effective date: February 1, 1988.

Statutory Authority

Immigration Act, 1976 - paragraphs 115(1)(c) and (k.1).

Anticipated Impact

Will vary, depending on whether provinces choose to establish criteria for sponsors and guarantors which signficantly vary from the present criteria which are set by the federal government.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

September 1987.

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MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **183 EIC - B 87**

183. Immigration Regulations, 1978 - Amendment - Loan repayment schedule.

Description

Extend the repayment period and make payments more equitable to immigrants and refugees and would avoid the possibility of undue hardship to the loan recipient and his/her dependents in Canada. Proposed effective date: October 30, 1987.

Statutory Authority

Immigration Act, 1976 - paragraph 115(1)(t).

Anticipated Impact

Although cash flow may be slowed down, long-term prospects for total recovery of public funds would be enhanced. This proposed action would also reduce the possibility of loan recipients being forced onto welfare.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

June 1987.

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Title of Proposal **184 EIC - B 87**

184. Immigration Regulations, 1978 - Amendment - Personal Appearance of ICAO student before Immigration Officer not necessary.

Description

Exempt the dependants of official representatives of the International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) stationed in Canada from the requirements of section 15 and subsection 24(2) of the Immigration Regulations, 1978, i.e., from personally appearing before an immigration officer when seeking a student authorization. Proposed effective date: October 1987.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 115(1) of the Immigration Act, 1976.

Anticipated Impact

Improve relations with the quasi-diplomatic community in Canada which tends to perceive itself as possessing an "equivalent to diplomatic" set of privileges notwithstanding that the Diplomatic & Consular Privileges and Immunities Act, which is predominant to the Immigration Act, does not apply to ICAO representatives.

Furthermore, by not interviewing school age dependents of ICAO representatives in Canada resources would be freed up at Canada Immigration Centres and provide better quality of service to the public.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
July 1987.

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Title of Proposal **185 EIC - B 87**
185. Immigration Regulations, 1978 - Amendment - Personal Appearance of foreign students before immigration officer not necessary when seeking extensions.

Description
Exempt students from personally appearing before an immigration officer when seeking an extension of their student authorization as required by subsection 24(2) of the Immigration Regulation, 1978. Proposed effective date: August 1987.

Statutory Authority
Subsection 115(1) of the Immigration Act, 1976.

Anticipated Impact
Estimate savings of approximately 20,000 personal interviews each calendar year by Canada Immigration Centres thus enabling CEIC to do better job and improve quality of service to the public.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **186 EIC - B 87**
186. Immigration Regulations, 1978 - Amendment - Extension of Conditional Admission.

Description
Extend conditional admission provisions so that investors may come to Canada as immigrants and must, within a specified time frame, make a suitable investment, in accordance with provincial interests. Proposed effective date: June 1, 1987.

Statutory Authority
Immigration Act, 1976 - paragraph 115(1)(a).

Anticipated Impact

By providing a flexible framework for investors, this option will attract additional applicants in this category whose business expertise and investment of capital will benefit the Canadian economy.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

February 1987.

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Title of Proposal 187 EIC - B 87

187. Immigration Regulations, 1978 - Amendment - Definition of Entrepreneur.

Description

Amend the Regulations to require entrepreneurs to have a successful background ("track record"). Refining the Regulations in this manner will ensure a qualified movement of business immigrants. Proposed effective date: June 1, 1987.

Statutory Authority

Immigration Act, 1976 - paragraph 115(1)(a).

Anticipated Impact

By increasing likelihood of successful establishment of viable businesses, the Canadian economy will benefit from jobs being created or maintained, the infusion of expertise and capital and the potential for access to new markets abroad.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

February 1987.

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Title of Proposal 188 EIC - B 87

188. Immigration Regulations, 1978 - Amendment - Deletion of "Provincial Nominee".

Description

To revoke all references in the Immigration Regulations, 1978 to "provincial nominee", as this provision has never been used and has in effect been replaced by "entrepreneur", "self-employed" and "investor". Proposed effective date: September 1, 1987.

Statutory Authority

Immigration Act, 1976 - paragraph 115(1)(a).

Anticipated Impact

Nil.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

April 1987.

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Title of Proposal **189 EIC - B 87**

189. Immigration Regulations, 1978 - Amendment - Reducing provincial role in international adoptions.

Description

In cases of children adopted abroad, Regulation 6(1)(c)(i) now requires the written advice of the province of proposed residence that they have no objection to the proposed arrangements for the reception and care of the child. Provincial authorities have difficulty meeting this requirement. Proposed effective date: October 1, 1987.

Statutory Authority

Immigration Act, 1976 - paragraph 115(1)(c).

Anticipated Impact

Several provinces recognize foreign adoptions and claim no authority to investigate reception and care arrangements under their own legislation when the adoption has been completed abroad. They either refuse or resist providing the necessary advice. Quebec requires that the child be adopted under Quebec law. This situation interferes with case processing. It is anticipated that the provinces would appreciate the removal of the requirement.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

July 1987.

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ROUTINE INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **190 EIC - C 87**

190. Refugee Claims Backlog Regulations - Repeal.

Description

Repeal of Regulations which facilitated the resolution of refugee claim cases in anticipation of the implementation of a revised Refugee Determination System. Repeal would occur shortly after introduction of new System. Proposed effective date: September 30, 1987.

Statutory Authority

Section 115(1), Immigration Act 1976.

Anticipated Impact

Cases of claimants awaiting decision on their applications for Refugee status on 21 May 1986 will have been dealt with by date of repeal.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

May 1987.

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Title of Proposal **191 EIC - C 87**

191. Refugee Claims Backlog Exemption Orders.

Description

These regulations provide relief from the immigration selection criteria requirements on behalf of certain persons who for various reasons are unable to comply for landing in Canada pursuant to the Refugee Claims Backlog Regulations. Submissions go forward on a continuing basis at bi-monthly intervals.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 115(1) of the Immigration Act, 1976.

Anticipated Impact

These Regulations have no impact on the general public but will benefit between 8,000 to 10,000 claimants for refugee status per calendar year.

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Title of Proposal **192 EIC - C 87**

192. Immigration Visa Exemption Regulations.

Description

These Regulations provide relief from immigrant visa requirements for persons already in Canada and mainly involve humanitarian and/or compassionate considerations. These are a series of Regulations going forward on a continuing basis at bi-monthly intervals.

Statutory Authority

Paragraph 115(1)(ii) of the Immigration Act, 1976.

Anticipated Impact

These Regulations have no impact on the general public and concurrent with the Immigration Exemption Regulations benefit between 30,000 to 35,000 applicants for permanent residence in Canada per calendar year.

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Title of Proposal **193 EIC - C 87**

193. Immigration Exemption Regulations.

Description

These regulations provide relief from the passport and/or immigration selection criteria requirements on behalf of certain persons who for various reasons are unable to comply for landing in Canada. Submissions go forward on a continuing basis at bi-monthly intervals.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 115(2) of the Immigration Act, 1976.

Anticipated Impact

These Regulations have no impact on the economy and the general public and concurrent with the Visa Exemption Regulations benefit between 30,000 to 35,000 applicants for permanent residence in Canada per calendar year.

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Title of Proposal **194 EIC - C 87**

194. Immigration Regulations, 1978 - Amendment - Student Authorizations.

Description

Amend the Regulation to make the "24 hours of instruction" requirement more realistic. Will bring the Regulation more in line with current circumstances. Proposed effective date: February 1, 1988.

Statutory Authority

Immigration Act, 1976 - paragraph 115(g).

Anticipated Impact

Foreign students bring clear benefits to Canada in terms of their impact on the educational sphere as well as in the broader economic and political spheres.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Late 1987.

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Title of Proposal **195 EIC - C 87**

195. Immigration Regulations, 1978 - Amendment - Time frame of Investment.

Description

The Regulation change will clarify the time frame for investment. Currently, the regulations require the funds to be locked in for a period of three years. The change will clarify that the three-year period does not include time where funds are held in trust or are inactive. Proposed effective date: June 1, 1987.

Statutory Authority

Immigration Act, 1976 - paragraph 115(1)(a).

Anticipated Impact

This will benefit the economy as the investors' funds will be locked into job-generating activities for a full three years.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
February 1987.

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Title of Proposal **196 EIC - C 87**

196. Immigraton Regulations, 1978 - Amendment - Validity of visitor travel/identity documents.

Description

Paragraph 14(3)(a), with respect to visitor passports, states that the passport must be "valid for travel to Canada". Paragraphs 14(3)(b) and (c) should coincide with 14(3)(a) by placing the same restriction on visitor travel and identity documents. By placing this restriction on visitor travel/identity documents as well as on visitor passports the holder's right to re-enter the country which issued the document will not be jeopardized by his/her admission to Canada. Proposed effective date: June 1, 1987.

Statutory Authority

Paragraph 115(1)(z) of the Immigration Act, 1976.

Anticipated Impact

No direct impact on Canadian citizens or permanent residents.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

April 1987.

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ENERGY, MINES AND RESOURCES CANADA

Roles and Responsibilities

The Department of Energy, Mines and Resources was established in 1966 by the Government Organization Act. Since 1966, the department has experienced several internal reorganizations, most particularly in Energy. The overall objective of the department, however, remains basically the same: "to enhance the discovery, development and use of the country's mineral and energy resources and to broaden our knowledge of Canada's landmass for the benefit of all Canadians." To fulfill this objective, the department is organized under three programs: Energy, Minerals and Earth Sciences, and Administration.

The Energy Program has five fundamental objectives: economic growth through development of energy resources, energy security and self-sufficiency, enhanced Canadian participation, fair treatment and a stable planning environment.

The Minerals and Earth Sciences Program is responsible for developing mineral policies and strategies, and for providing timely earth science information, technology and expertise relative to Canada's landmass and its mineral and energy resources.

The Department of Energy, Mines and Resources administers 23 statutes: the regulations that have been promulgated pursuant to many of these statutes govern activities ranging from offshore drilling operations to the examinations which must be passed by candidates seeking to become Canada Land Surveyors. The following are the Acts that are administered by the Department of Energy, Mines and Resources:

- Arctic Waters Pollution Prevention Act
- Atomic Energy Control Act
- Canada Lands Surveys Act
- Canada Oil and Gas Act
- Canada-Nova Scotia Oil and Gas Agreement Act
- Canadian Ownership and Control Determination Act
- Cooperative Energy Act
- Department of Energy, Mines and Resources Act
- Energy Administration Act
- Energy Monitoring Act
- Energy Supplies Emergency Act, 1979
- Explosives Act
- International Boundary Commission Act

- Motor Vehicle Fuel Comsumption Standards Act
- National Energy Board Act
- Nuclear Liability Act
- Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act
- Oil Substitution and Conservation Act
- Petro-Canada Act
- Petroleum Incentives Program Act
- Provincial Boundaries Acts
- Resources and Technical Surveys Acts
- British Columbia/Yukon/Northwest Territories Boundary Act.

The Canada Oil and Gas Lands Administration, on behalf of the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources, has the mandate to manage oil and gas exploration and development in other than Northern Canada Lands.

ENERGY, MINES AND RESOURCES
ENERGY PROGRAM
PETROLEUM INCENTIVES ADMINISTRATION

ROUTINE INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **197 EMR - C 87**
197. Potential Amendments to the Petroleum Incentives Program Regulations.

Description
The Petroleum Incentives Program (PIP) Regulations are routinely amended for technical and other reasons. The Program is in its final year of operation and has been largely phased-out. While further changes in the Regulations are not contemplated at this time, there may be a requirement for one or more technical amendments to the PIP rules in 1987.

Statutory Authority
Petroleum Incentives Program Act.

Anticipated Impact
Regulation amendments, if any, would be to correct specific deficiences in the rules affecting the eligibility for incentives of expenditures incurred by applicants.

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PETROLEUM MONITORING AGENCY

MAJOR INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **198 EMR - A 87**
198. Energy Monitoring Regulations, Amendment.

Description
Semi-annual housekeeping amendments necessary to promulgate the Monitoring Survey Questionnaire for the Annual 1986 Petroleum Monitoring Survey.

Statutory Authority
Energy Monitoring Act S.C. c. 112, 1980-81-82-83.

Anticipated Impact

Although the precise content of the amendment is not known, amendments generally affect the manner of presentation of either the income statement or the corporate balance sheet. The Agency would expect amendments to simplify data requirements and reduce paper burden.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1987.

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CANADA OIL AND GAS LANDS ADMINISTRATION

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal 199 EMR - A 87

199. Canada Oil and Gas Liability Regulations.

Description

The Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act imposes absolute liability for damages or actual loss incurred as a result of a spill or debris up to any applicable limit. The Canada Oil and Gas Liability Regulations prescribe the applicable limits of liability for certain geographic regions for the purposes of section 19.2 of the Act, or the manner of determining such limits for other geographic regions.

Statutory Authority

Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. 0-4 as amended by R.S.C. 1970, c.30 (1st Sup.), S.C. 1976-77, c.55 and S.C. 1980-81-82-83, c.81, s.12 (v).

Anticipated Impact

The petroleum industry has already been complying with a Ministerial directive which sets the limit of the liability. Accordingly, the proposed regulations will have no impact on the petroleum industry once they are proclaimed in force.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

The regulations are presently with PCO (Justice) for approval and it is anticipated that they will be prepublished in the Fall of 1986.

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Title of Proposal **200 EMR - A 87**

200. Canada Oil and Gas Registration Regulations.

Description

The Canada Petroleum Resources Act (Bill C-92) allows for the making of regulations respecting the registration and filing of documents including the registration of encumbrances. The proposed regulations will establish a registry system to permit the registration of transfers of ownership and encumbrances on title.

Statutory Authority

Canada Petroleum Resources Act (Bill C-92). The Bill is expected to receive third reading by the House of Commons in October 1986, with Senate approval shortly thereafter. It is anticipated that proclamation will be sometime in the Fall of 1986.

Anticipated Impact

The regulations should promote a degree of confidence and security both within the petroleum industry and the financial institutions as they will now be able to register their documents and receive the statutory protection afforded by such a system.

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Title of Proposal **201 EMR - A 87**

201. Canada Oil and Gas Geophysical Regulations.

Description

The Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act provides for the making of regulations respecting safety, conservation practices and the prevention of pollution in operations for the production of oil and gas. The proposed Regulations will provide specifically for the authorization and regulation of geophysical operations and ensure the safety of those operations on Frontier Lands.

Statutory Authority

Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. 0-4 as amended by R.S.C. 1970, c.30 (1st Supp.), S.C. 1976-77, c.55 and S.C. 1980-81-82-83, c.81.

Anticipated Impact

The oil and gas industry has been operating with the draft regulations for a number of years. In addition, both the Canadian Petroleum Association and the Independent Petroleum Association of Canada were actively involved in the formulation of the technical criteria contained in the regulations. Accordingly, promulgation of the regulations is not anticipated to have an impact on the petroleum industry.

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Title of Proposal **202 EMR - A 87**

202. Canada Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Regulations.

Description

The Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act provides for the making of regulations respecting safety, conservation practices and the prevention of pollution in operations undertaken for the production of oil and gas. The proposed regulations will provide specifically for the authorization, regulation and the safety of production operations on Frontier Lands.

Statutory Authority

Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. 0-4 as amended by R.S.C. 1970, c.30 (1st Supp.), S.C. 1976-77, c.55 and S.C. 1980-81-82-83, c.81.

Anticipated Impact

The proposed regulations have existed in various draft forms over the past two years. The oil and gas industry is familiar with the draft regulations and has been complying with them as though they were already in force. Thus, the actual promulgation of the regulations is not anticipated to have any impact on the petroleum industry.

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Title of Proposal **203 EMR - A 87**
203. Canada Oil and Gas Production Installation Regulations.

Description

The Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act provides for the making of regulations prescribing minimum acceptable standards for the construction, alteration or use of works, machinery and plant used in the development and production of oil and gas, in addition to allowing for regulation of the safety aspects of oil and gas activity. The regulations will establish performance criteria for the various components of the superstructure to ensure that production operations will be carried out in as safe an environment as possible.

Statutory Authority

Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. 0-4 as amended by R.S.C. 1970, c.30 (1st Supp.), S.C. 1976-77, c.55 and S.C. 1980-81-82-83, c.81.

Anticipated Impact

The regulations will not greatly impact on the petroleum industry as, for the most part, the industry already adheres to the design and operating principles set out in the regulations. With the exception of certain provisions imposing more rigorous standards due to the exceptional environmental conditions found in the Canadian offshore, by and large the performance standards contained in the regulations are similar to those adopted by most offshore oil-producing countries and with which the industry is already familiar.

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Title of Proposal **204 EMR - A 87**
204. Oil and Gas Diving Regulations.

Description

The Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act provides for the making of regulations concerning the safety and inspection of all operations conducted in connection with the exploration for, the drilling for and the production of oil and gas. At present, diving operations are governed by provisions contained in the Drilling Regulations. In was decided that due to the increase in diving operations in exploration activities for oil and gas a much more comprehensive regulatory system was necessary to ensure the safety of individuals engaged in such diving operations.

Statutory Authority

Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. 0-4 as amended by R.S.C. 1970, c.30 (1st Supp.), S.C. 1976-77, c.55 and S.C. 1980-81-82-83, c.81.

Anticipated Impact

It is anticipated that the regulations will encourage the establishment of Canadian divers training facilities to certify that divers are trained to the standards established in the regulations. The draft regulations have been endorsed by a number of Canadian diving associations.

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Title of Proposal **205 EMR - A 87**

205. Canada Oil and Gas Offshore Pipeline Regulations.

Description

The Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act provides for the making of regulations with respect to the safety and inspection of all operations connected with exploration and drilling for and the production of oil and gas. The construction of offshore pipelines from the well to a central gathering point is a function of the production system and it was considered necessary to make regulations to govern the safety and inspection aspect of the construction and maintenance of offshore pipelines.

Statutory Authority

Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. 0-4 as amended by R.S.C. 1970, c.30 (1st Supp.), S.C. 1976-77, c.55 and S.C. 1980-81-82-83, c.81.

Anticipated Impact

As the regulations address both environmental and human safety, they will obviously impact on these issues. However, as to date, there have been no offshore pipelines constructed in Canada, the proposed regulations will not impose any technological changes on the industry.

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Title of Proposal **206 EMR - A 87**

206. Canada Oil and Gas Onshore Pipeline Regulations.

Description

The Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act provides for the making of regulations respecting the operation, safety and inspection of all operations connected with the exploration and drilling for and the production of oil and gas. The construction of onshore pipelines from the well to a central gathering point is a function of the production system and it was considered necessary to make regulations governing operations, and safety and inspection aspects of the construction and maintenance of onshore pipelines.

Statutory Authority

Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. 0-4 as amended by R.S.C. 1970, c.30 (1st Supp.), S.C. 1976-77, c.55 and S.C. 1980-81-82-83, c.81.

Anticipated Impact

The technical requirements of the regulations are similar to those contained in the pipeline regulations under the National Energy Board Act. Accordingly, it is anticipated that compliance with the Canada Oil and Gas Onshore Pipeline Regulations will have minimal impact on pipeline companies and the petroleum industry.

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Title of Proposal **207 EMR - A 87**

207. Canada Oil and Gas Royalty Regulations.

Description

The Canada Petroleum Resources Act (Bill C-92) creates and imposes on all production licence holders a royalty. Both the royalty rate or rates and the period for which the royalty will be paid are to be prescribed by regulations. The proposed regulations will establish both the rates and the periods.

Statutory Authority

Canada Petroleum resources Act (Bill C-92). The Bill is expected to receive third reading by the House of Commons in October, 1986, with Senate approval shortly therefafter. It is anticipated that proclamation will be sometime in the Fall of 1986.

Anticipated Impact

The regulations will incorporate a new, profit-sensitive royalty structure similar to other royalty regimes applied to high cost projects in Western Canada. This type of regime is designed to provide a fair return to the industry, after it recovers its up front costs, and the Government of Canada, as owner of the resource. It is also designed to stimulate investment in Canada's frontier areas, subject, of course, to realistic price escalations, thereby creating employment and business opportunities for northern residents.

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Title of Proposal **208 EMR - A 87**

208. Canada Oil and Gas Land (Survey) Regulations.

Description

The Canada Oil and Gas Land Regulations, as passed pursuant to the Territorial Lands Act and the Public Lands Grants Act, were prepared on the basis of the 1927 North American Datum. With the creation of a new satellite survey system a more accurate method of surveying has been developed and the regulations are being amended to reflect this.

Statutory Authority

Canada Petroleum Resources Act (Bill C-92). The Bill is expected to receive third reading by the House of Commons in October, 1986, with Senate approval shortly thereafter. It is anticipated that proclamation will be sometime in the Fall of 1986.

Anticipated Impact

The proposed amendments to the regulations were suggested by the Canadian Petroleum Association and the Independent Petroleum Association of Canada. The industry is in favour of the greater degree of accuracy which the new surveying method will provide.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

The proposed amendments to the regulations should be ready for PCO (Justice) examination by early 1987 with pre-publication after PCO (Justice) approval has been received.

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MINERALS AND EARTH SCIENCES PROGRAM

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **209 EMR - A 87**

209. Amendment to the Resources and Technical Surveys Act.

Description

The Resources and Technical Surveys Act, one of the two statutes forming the basic legislation of EMR is archaic and presenting operational problems with respect to dispensing some technical services and to providing financial assistance to companies, communities, and individuals under the jurisdiction of the Minister. It is also presenting operational problems with respect to the Minister establishing regional mineral development policies.

Interdepartmental discussions were carried out on a draft memorandum to Cabinet in 1985 and agreement in principal obtained from all but one department: DRIE.

Statutory Authority

The transitional powers sections of the Government Organization Act, 1983 provided the Minister of EMR with a three-year window to amend the legislative base to facilitate the provision of technical services, financial assistance and to incorporate any powers necessary to develop and carry out federal-provincial agreements under the ERDA. These sections expire in December 1986.

Anticipated Impact

The lack of clarity of the Minister's authority to provide financial and other assistance to resource industries will be removed and the purposes for which the Minister of EMR can provide financial and technical assistance to firms and individuals in Canada will be clarified.

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Title of Proposal **210 EMR - A 87**

210. Amendment to the Energy, Mines and Resources Act (EMR Act).

Description

The EMR Act is one of two statutes which form the legislative base of the Ministry of Energy, Mines and Resources. If the Resources and Technical Surveys Act is amended in anticipation of the expiry of the transitional powers sections of the Government Organization Act, 1983, then the EMR Act will probably have to be amended as well.

Statutory Authority

Government Organization Act, 1983, Cabinet Directive.

Anticipated Impact

Identical to that of the RTS Act proposal.

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Title of Proposal **211 EMR - A 87**

211. A Federal Mineral Policy.

Description

The Priorities and Planning Sub-Committee on Program Review directed the Minister of EMR (427-85 RD) to produce a national mineral policy clarifying the roles of the federal government, of the provincial governments, and of the private sector in mineral development in Canada. Legislation could be produced which would alter the mandate of EMR and the role of the federal government in the economic affairs of a major segment of the Canadian economy.

Statutory Authority

Cabinet directive.

Anticipated Impact

The proposal will clarify the role of the federal government in mineral development. It will clarify the role of EMR in non-fuel mineral development, and could also lead to a reduction of overlap between federal departments. The direct regulatory impact may be negligible, but the public impact could be significant as industry and the provinces obtain a clear statment of intent.

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Title of Proposal **212 EMR - A 87**

212. Offshore Mining Regulations.

Description

There has been increasing interest in developing offshore minerals such as sand and gravel and placer gold in recent years. However, existing regulations were not designed for the offshore and an unattractive investment climate has been the result. EMR, in cooperation with the provinces, is exploring the possibility of formulating a regulatory system that would apply to all offshore areas, whether federal or provincial. Legislation will be required which might include management and administration organization, mineral rights disposition, mining royalties, and fisheries and environmental protection.

Statutory Authority

Legislation required.

Anticipated Impact

The uncertainty as to who controls the offshore, and thus the uncertainty respecting the security of investments and property rights, would be removed and at least some of the several hundred applications for exploitation of offshore non-fuel minerals could proceed.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Early 1987.

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EXPLOSIVES BRANCH

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal 213 EMR - A 87
213. Number of Drivers for a Vehicle Carrying Explosives.

Description
Current regulations require that the driver have a helper on a vehicle carrying more than two tonnes of explosives. Consideration is being given to allowing a single unaccompanied driver to drive a truck carrying explosives.

Statutory Authority
The Explosives Act.

Anticipated Impact
The impact would be reduced costs for the explosives distribution industry provided there is not a lessening of safety.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Third quarter of 1987.

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Title of Proposal 214 EMR - A 87
214. Size of Dynamite Truckloads.

Description
Currently all explosives may travel by road in Canada in loads up to 20,000 kg except nitroglycerine dynamites and detonators. A discussion is going on with industry whether to increase allowable Canadian loads of dynamite from 5,000 kg to 20,000 kg. A decision may result in proposed new regulations.

Statutory Authority
The Explosives Act.

Anticipated Impact
The impact would be significant: savings of over $1,000,000 a year in transportation costs; a shift in the balance of market advantage between producers and non-producers of dynamite.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Fourth quarter 1987.

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MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **215 EMR - B 87**

215. ANFO Order: Revision.

Description

The present Ammonium Nitrate and Fuel Oil Order CRC c.598 restricts the mixing of ammonium nitrate and fuel oil to open pit mines and quarries. But the mixture, ANFO, is a cheap effective explosive which can probably be mixed and used safely in much construction work. The Explosives Branch will probably recommend extending the range of users who can have ANFO permissions.

Statutory Authority

The Explosives Act.

Anticipated Impact

The impact will be to lower costs of operations for many companies to the benefit of the economy but with some harm to explosives distributors who sell factory mixed ANFO.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Approximately February 1987.

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Title of Proposal **216 EMR - B 87**

216. Control of Blasting Explosives.

Description

Regulations will be recommended to require would-be purchasers of blasting explosives and related accessories to have identification verified by police if they are not known to the vendor. The purpose is to increase security and at the same time respond to a public perception that the purchase of explosives is too easy.

Statutory Authority

The Explosives Act.

Anticipated Impact

The negative impact will be added nuisance to the farmer, prospector, or country cottage owner who is an occasional user of explosives and some additional work for police. However, most purchasers are known to vendors.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Approximately April 1987.

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Title of Proposal **217 EMR - B 87**

217. Licensing and Permits; Modernization of Forms.

Description

As part of modernization of office procedures the formats of licences and permits and applications for licences and permits, designed in 1920, will be changed to suit changes procedures and modern office equipment. Since the forms were originally designated as part of the Explosives Regulations, modernization requires a regulation change.

Statutory Authority

The Explosives Act.

Anticipated Impact

Re-design will facilitate public understanding of the forms and speed Explosives Branch paperwork.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Approximately March 1987.

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ROUTINE INITIATIVES

Titles/Descriptions **218 EMR - C 87**

218. Five routine intiatives are planned:

i) Police Seizing of Explosives; Possession and Storage

Allow private persons to possess and store explosives seized by the police and held for the police pending use as evidence or safe disposal. Allow private individuals to give or sell police officers the explosive accessories needed for safe destruction of seized explosives.

ii) Appointment of Deputy Inspectors; Police Explosives Technicians.

At the request of the Quebec and Montreal police forces, restrict appointment of their members as deputy inspectors of explosives to those who have completed a specialized explosives training course.

iii) Licensed Magazines on Vehicles.

Persons may leave unattended a vehicle carrying a magazine with a limited quantity of explosives under certain conditions, including that the magazine have a provincial licence. Only Quebec is administratively set up to issue such a licence and an amendment will allow similar storage on R.C.M.P. vehicles and provincial agencies dealing with wildlife, road maintenance, and forest fire controls. This end will be achieved by making a federal or a provincial licence equally valid.

iv) Classification of Explosives for Shipment.

For uniformity with the Transport of Dangerous Goods Regulations, the UN system of explosives classification will be incorporated into the Explosives Regulations.

v) Cancellation or Suspension of Licences and Permits.

As requested by the Standing Joint Committee of the Senate and the House of Commons on Regulations and Other Statutory Instruments, a change will be recommended to remove the incontestable power of the Minister to cancel or suspend a licence or permit when the older carries on a practice which, in the opinion of the Minister, constitutes a special danger (s.26 (3) (c2)).

Statutory Authority
The Explosives Act.

Anticipated Impact
No significant impact on the public is foreseen.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

March 1987.

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ENVIRONMENT CANADA

Roles and Responsibilities

The Department of the Environment's statutory mandate is derived from the Government Organization Act (1979). This Act establishes that the duties, powers and functions of the Minister of the Environment extend to and include all matters over which Parliament has jurisdiction not otherwise federally assigned, and relating to:

- national and historic parks;
- preservation and enhancement of the quality of the natural environment, including water, air and soil quality;
- renewable resources, including migratory birds and other non-domestic flora and fauna;
- water;
- meteorology;
- enforcement of rules and regulations arising from the advice of the International Joint Commission relating to boundary waters and questions arising between the United States and Canada which relate to the preservation and enhancement of environmental quality; and
- other federal matters relating to the natural environment which are assigned to the Minister.

The Act also specifies the functions of the Minister in carrying out these responsibilities, including programs to: promote adoption of objectives or standards relating to environmental quality and pollution control; mitigate adverse environmental impacts of new federal projects; and provide Canadians with environmental information.

The Act gives the Minister of the Environment broad responsibilities to influence federal departments and agencies, and to work with provincial governments and the public to preserve and enhance environmental quality. The Minister is also authorized to develop guidelines for activities of federal bodies, and enter into agreements with provincial governments or agencies.

The Environmental Conservation Service and the Environmental Protection Service have been consolidated into a new organization entitled Conservation and Protection (CP).

The following legislation governs departmental activities:

1. Acts assigned to the Minister that encompass all activities of the Department, such as the Government Organization Act (1979).

2. Acts assigned to the Minister that concern specific resources, such as the Canada Water Act, Canada Wildlife Act, Game Export Act, Migratory Birds Convention Act, and International River Improvements Act.

3. Acts assigned to the Minister regarding environmental information such as the Weather Modification Information Act.

4. Acts assigned to the Minister regarding the protection of Canada's natural and cultural heritage such as the National Parks Act, the Historic Sites and Monuments Act, the National Battlefields Act and Canal Regulations.

5. Acts administered by other federal departments, provisions of which are wholly or partly administered by the Department of the Environment, such as the international Boundary Waters Treaty Act, Northern Inland Waters Act, and National Housing Act.

6. Acts assigned to the Minister to meet threats to environmental quality arising from the adverse impact of human activities, such as the Clean Air Act, the Environmental Contaminants Act, the Canada Water Act, the Ocean Dumping Control Act and certain provisions of the Fisheries Act.

7. Acts administered by other federal departments for which an advisory role is provided such as the Motor Vehicle Safety Act, the Arctic Waters Pollution Prevention Act, the Pest Control Products Act and the Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act.

ENVIRONMENT CANADA

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **219 EC - A 87**
219. Environmental Contaminants Act Amendments/Regulations.

Description
Amendments to the Environmental Contaminants Act are being contemplated in three general categories: new chemicals assessment and control, notification of exports of dangerous chemicals and upgrading of existing features of the Act. Regulations may be required to implement these amendments.

Statutory Authority
Environmental Contaminants Act, R.S.C. 1974-75-76, c. 72.

Anticipated Impact
Main cost to government and private sector will be for establishment of inventory of existing chemicals and for testing/evaluation of new chemicals.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
4th quarter 1987.

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Title of Proposal **220 EC - A 87**
220. Phase-down of lead in motor vehicle gasoline.

Description
The Leaded Gasoline Regulations (P.C. 1984 - 1431, 03 May 1984) will be amended to effectively eliminate the use of lead in motor gasoline by December, 1992.

Statutory Authority
Clean Air Act. S.C. 1970-71-72, c. 47, S. 23.

Anticipated Impact
The Royal Society of Canada Commission on Lead in the Environment concluded that the overall economy will suffer only a small impact, not all of it negative. Gasoline cost increases to the consumers may range from 1.0 - 2.1 cents/litre (in current dollars). The oil, lead and additive industries will be the most affected.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

3rd quarter 1987.

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Title of Proposal 221 EC - A 87

221. Section 33 Fisheries Act Compliance Policy Revision of Regulations and Development of New Regulations under Section 33 to 33.2 of Fisheries Act.

Description

The federal government has prepared a draft Compliance Policy for consultation with the Provinces and subsequent consutlation with the public sector. The final policy, if it remains largely in the form of the draft policy, will require several new regulations in order to implement.

Statutory Authority

Section 33 to 33.2 of Fisheries Act.

Anticipated Impact

The new policy and resulting regulations will provide for more orderly administration of Section 33 and will be of considerable interest to all provinces, industry and to the public at large.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

A draft policy will be provided to the provinces in the Fall of 1986, and depending on the results of federal/provincial consultation likely provided to the public for consultation in early 1987. The publication of draft regulations might be anticipated in mid 1987. As some regulations may be more complex, their pre-publication will not occur until a later date.

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Title of Proposal 222 EC - A 87

222. Chlorofluorocarbon Product Regulation.

Description

Enforcement activities pursuant to the chlorofluorocarbon (CFC) Regulations have revealed the importation of certain aerosol products contain CFC's. Canada has prohibited the use of CFCs as propellants in these aerosol products.

The Product Regulation will prohibit the importation of these products.

Statutory Authority

Environmental Contaminants Act, S.C. 1974-75-76, c. 72.

Anticipated Impact

Importers of aerosol hairsprays, deodorants and anti-perspirants will be treated the same as Canadian manufacturers.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

1st quarter 1987.

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Title of Proposal **223 EC - A 87**

223. Proposed Amendments to Pulp and Paper Effluent Regulations.

Description

To present to the public for discussion, proposed amendments to Pulp and Paper Effluent Regulations provided a decision to proceed is reached.

The current Pulp and Paper Effluent Regulations, promulgated in November 1971, under Section 33 of the Fisheries Act, were the first federal industrial regulations respecting the discharge of effluents into waters frequented by fish. Since that time, the industry has gone through major structural and technological changes requiring consideration of amendments to the regulations to reflect these changes.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act.

Anticipated Impact

Capital Expenditures required by industry is estimated to be at least $600,000,000 but could be as high as $900,000,000, with associated operating costs of about $100,000,000 per year.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

March 1987.

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Title of Proposal 224 EC - A 87

224. Amendment of Chlorofluorocarbon Regulations (to be in accordance with the international control protocol now being developed for protection of the ozone layer).

Description

The Vienna Convention for Protection of the Ozone Layer has been ratified by Canada. An international control protocol for chlorofluorocarbons is now being developed. Canada may be required to regulate CFC's further, in order to meet the requirements of the control protocol.

Statutory Authority

Environmental Contaminants Act, S.C. 1974-75-76, c. 72.

Anticipated Impact

Further regulations will impact manufacturers and users of CFC's. The magnitude of the impact cannot be anticipated until the contents of the control protocol can be predicted.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

4th quarter 1987.

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Title of Proposal 225 EC - A 87

225. PCB Phase-out Strategy.

Description

Scientific evidence indicates that PCBs are a significant danger to health and the environment. A strategy is being developed for the phase-out of PCB-containing equipment in accordance with the degree of risk from the equipment location.

Statutory Authority

Environmental Contaminants Act, R.S.C. 1974-75-76, c. 72.

Anticipated Impact

PCB-containing equipment (primarily electrical transformers and capacitors) was used in most government and industry sectors. Electrical power utilities have the largest quantity of PCB (20 per cent) in Canada. The pulp and paper sector and government sector are also significant users of the PCB equipment.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
3rd quarter 1987.

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Title of Proposal 226 EC - A 87
226. Protocol Amending the Migratory Birds Convention.

Description
Although a protocol to amend the subsistence hunting provisions of the Migratory Birds Convention was signed by Canada and the United States in 1979, it has not been ratified. Ratification would permit Canada to legalize the traditional necessity for some Indians and Inuit to take migratory birds or their eggs outside existing hunting seasons, particularly in the spring, and in addition to certain limited special rights referred to in the Convention. Any hunting season established under the protocol must provide for the preservation and maintenance of stocks of migratory birds.

Statutory Authority
Migratory Birds Convention Act, R.S.C. c. M-12.

Anticipated Impact
The greatest impact will be on Native groups across Canada, and on the provincial and territorial governments.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Fall 1988.

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Title of Proposal 227 EC - A 87
227. A Recommendation for an Export, Import and Interprovincial Transport of Wildlife Act.

Description

The Act will ensure that the utilization of Canadian wildlife is consistent with conservation strategies through more effective control of exports of wild animals from a province, territory or Canada. The Act will also protect Canadian ecosystems by controlling importation and interprovincial transport of live wildlife which could harm the ecosystems.

Statutory Authority

Government Organization Act, 1979.

Anticipated Impact

While there is strong support among environmental and conservation groups for the recommended legislation, there is a possibility that pet shop owners and live wild animal importers will object to additional controls on their respective businesses.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Fall 1988.

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Title of Proposal **228 EC - A 87**

228. Migratory Birds Permit Policy Review.

Description

The Migratory Birds Regulations provide for the issuance of several different types of permits.

To ensure that the policy governing the issuance of those permits is consistent, not unduly restrictive and meets existing requirements, the policy will be reviewed, updated as necessary, and a discussion paper will be developed.

Statutory Authority

Migratory Birds Convention Act, R.S.C., c. M-12.

Anticipated Impact

The impact will be on the citizens of Canada who obtain permits under Schedule II of the Migratory Birds Regulations.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Fall 1987.

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Title of Proposal 229 EC - A 87
229. Amendment to Migratory Bird Sanctuary Regulations.

Description

1. In New Brunswick.
   Restriction, and possible denial, of access by the public to Machias Seal Island Bird Sanctuary during the seabird breeding season.

2. In Quebec.
   Adding areas of land to Baie-des-Loups Bird Sanctuary and Îles Sainte-Marie Bird Sanctuary.

Statutory Authority
Migratory Birds Convention Act, R.S.C., c. M-12.

Anticipated Impact
1. It could limit bird watchers allowed to land on the island during certain times of the year.
2. Minimum impact.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Spring 1988.

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Title of Proposal 230 EC - A 87
230. North American Waterfowl Management Plan.

Description
Since 1975, Canada and the United States have been conducting formal discussions on the development of a North American Waterfowl Management Plan. The purpose of developing this plan is to improve coordination of the international aspects of management of waterfowl populations shared by the two countries.

The formal discussions with the U.S. began in September 1984 and concluded in February 1986. A draft plan for public review was released in both countries for a two-month period commencing December 2, 1985. Public response in Canada was overwhelmingly in support of the document. A final copy, incorporating public commentary from Canada and the United States, was signed by the Minister of the Environment and the U.S. Secretary of the Interior on May 14, 1986.

Statutory Authority

Migratory Birds Convention Act, R.S.C., c. M-12.

Anticipated Impact

This initiative will affect migratory bird populations in Canada, which in turn will affect all individuals and groups concerned with migratory bird populations.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Spring 1987.

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Title of Proposal **231 EC - A 87**

231. A Recommendation to Amend the Canada Wilflife Act.

Description

The amendment of the Canada Wildlife Act would provide for more effective administration of its provisions and make other improvements as requested by the Standing Joint Committee of the Senate and the House of Commons on Regulations and other Statutory Instruments.

Statutory Authority

Government Organization Act, 1979.

Anticipated Impact

No impact is expected since most of the amendments are of a housekeeping nature and were requested by the Standing Joint Committee of the Senate and the House of Commons on Regulations and other Statutory Instruments.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Fall 1988.

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Title of Proposal 232 EC - A 87

232. Annual Migratory Birds Regulations Amendments.

Description

The Regulations are amended annually to take into account calendar or other necessary adjustments to season dates, hunting areas, species limitations and bag and possession limits. Amendments are also made, when required, to the textual portion of the regulations to provide for the proper management of the resource and the associated activities, greater clarity of intent and the deletion of those regulations either provided for elsewhere or no longer considered necessary.

Statutory Authority

Migratory Birds Convention Act, R.S.C., c. M-12.

Anticipated Impact

These amendments have an impact on hunters, wildlife-oriented organizations and the population levels of migratory game birds.

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Title of Proposal 233 EC - A 87

233. A Recommendation to Amend the Migratory Birds Convention Act.

Description

The amendment of the Migratory Birds Convention Act would provide for more effective administration of its provisions, and make other improvements as requested by the Standing Joint Committee of the Senate and the House of Commons on Regulations and other Statutory Instruments.

Statutory Authority

Government Organization Act, 1979.

Anticipated Impact

No impact is expected since most of the amendments are of a housekeeping nature and were requested by the Standing Joint Committee of the Senate and the House of Commons on Regulations and other Statutory Instruments.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Fall 1988.

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Title of Proposal **234 EC - A 87**

234. Wildlife Area Regulations Amendment.

Description

1. In Nova Scotia
   - adding a new wildlife area - Port Joli.
2. In New Brunswick
   - adding a new wildlife area - Portobello.
3. In Quebec
   adding land (Île Mousseau) to Îles de Contrecoeur National Wildlife Area.
4. In Saskatchewan
   adding land to Stalwart National Wildlife Area;
   adding land to Tway National Wildlife Area;
   adding a new wildlife area - Raven Island.
5. In British Columbia
   adding a new wildlife area - Columbia (made up of four units: Brisco, Harrogate and Spillimacheen being new units and Wilmer unit which is an existing unit);
   adding a new unit to Qualicum National Wildlife Area - Rosewall Creek unit.
6. In the Northwest Territories
   adding a new wildlife area - Polar Bear Bass.

Statutory Authority

Section 13 of the Canada Wildlife Act.

Anticipated Impact

Negligible.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Summer 1987.

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Title of Proposal 235 EC - A 87
235. Amendment to International River Improvements Regulations.

Description
This minor amendment is to meet the comments by the Standing Joint Committee of the Senate and the House of Commons on Regulations and Other Statutory Instruments as a result of their review of the Regulations.

Statutory Authority
Section of International River Improvement Act.

Anticipated Impact
By amending certain provisions which were found to be "ultra vires" by the Standing Joint Committee, this initiative could reduce paper burden and expenses of some minor water resource developers on international rivers.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
February 1987.

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PARKS

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal 236 EC - A 87
236. Banff Land Use Regulations, new regulations.

Description
These new regulations are intended to replace existing Banff Townsite Zoning Regulations, which will be revoked. They will ensure land use that conforms to the urban plan and reasonably approximates similar legislation in areas outside the park.

Statutory Authority
Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact
No serious impact will result. The regulations are to prevent land use conflicts.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Summer or Fall 1987.

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Title of Proposal **237 EC - A 87**
237. Banff Townsite Zoning Regulations, revocation.

Description
These regulations will be revoked, when new Banff and Land Use Regulations are effected.

Statutory Authority
Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact
No serious impact will result.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Summer of Fall 1987.

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Title of Proposal **238 EC - A 87**
238. National Parks Development Regulations, new regulations.

Description
These new regulations are intended to replace much of the National Parks Building Regulations, which will be revoked. They will ensure that new development accords with parks policy and formalize the development approval procedure now used in many of the parks.

Statutory Authority
Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact

No serious impact is expected to result. The new regulations will ensure that proposals are fully and properly screened in respect of parks policy and other important consideration.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Summer or Fall 1987.

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Title of Proposal **239 EC - A 87**

239. National Parks Property Maintenance and Occupancy Regulations, new regulations.

Description

These new regulations are to ensure that property is maintained and occupied at a level that is safe, free of hazards and visually pleasant. It also replaces aspects of the National Parks Cottages Regulations, which will be revoked.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact

No serious impact will result from this initiative.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Summer or Fall 1987.

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Title of Proposal **240 EC - A 87**

240. Banff and Jasper National Parks Streetworks Taxes Regulations, new regulations.

Description

These new regulations are to collect taxes to recover part of the costs for the provision of streets, sidewalks, street lighting, etc. Taxes will be collected from residents in Jasper and Banff, will be based on an assessment of the value of land, and will be at a level comparable to similar taxes outside of national parks.

Statutory Authority
Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact
No serious impact will result from this initiative. The taxes are comparable to taxes outside national parks and will recover a fair percentage of the actual costs.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Fall/Winter 1986 or Winter/Spring 1987.

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Title of Proposal **241 EC - A 87**
241. National Parks Highway Traffic Regulations, amendment.

Description
The fees set out in the regulations are being evaluated. Fees applicable for park motor licences may be extended to parks where the fees do not presently apply. Fees may also be tiered so that higher fees would apply to parks offering greater levels of service.

Statutory Authority
Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act and paragraph 13(a) of the Financial Administration Act.

Anticipated Impact
Any fee increase or introduction of fees that result from this initiative may be resisted by the public generally.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **242 EC - A 87**
242. National Parks Camping Regulations, amendment.

Description
The fees currently set out in the regulations are being studied. An amendment will be prepared if increases are necessary to recover costs of operating the campgrounds in national parks.

Statutory Authority
Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act and paragraph 13(a) of the Financial Administration Act.

Anticipated Impact
There should be some reaction to fee increases by the public.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **243 EC - A 87**
243. Camping Fees (Proposed National Parks) Regulations, amendment.

Description
The fees set out in these regulations apply to parks which have not been proclaimed. If increases to the fees are necessary, an amendment will be prepared.

Statutory Authority
Subsection 13(a) of the Financial Administration Act.

Anticipated Impact
The public reaction to any fee increases will be minimal.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **244 EC - A 87**
244. National Parks General Regulations, amendment.

Description
New fees and fee increases for the use of public recreational facilities and for boat mooring are being considered. Changes will depend on a review of the costs and revenues associated with these facilities.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act and paragraph 13(a) of the Financial Administration Act.

Anticipated Impact

Not known, but any initiative is unlikely to have a serious impact.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Winter or Spring 1987.

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Title of Proposal 245 EC - A 87

245. National Parks Water and Sewer Regulations, amendment.

Description

The water and sewer rates may be increased, depending on a review of the costs and revenues associated with the provision of these services.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act and paragraph 13(a) of the Financial Administration Act.

Anticipated Impact

Not known, but any initiative is unlikely to have a serious impact.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Winter or Spring 1987.

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Title of Proposal 246 EC - A 87

246. National Parks Garbage Regulations, amendment.

Description

The rates for garbage collection and removal may be increased, depending on a review of the costs and revenues associated with the provision of these services.

Statutory Authority
Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act and paragraph 13(a) of the Financial Administration Act.

Anticipated Impact
Not known, but any initiative is unlikely to have a serious impact.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Winter or Spring 1987.

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Title of Proposal **247 EC - A 87**
247. Banff and Jasper National Parks Streetworks Taxes Regulations, amendment.

Description
Taxes may have to be altered during the 1987 year, depending on a review of the costs and revenues associated with the provision of street improvements.

Statutory Authority
Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact
Not known, but any initiative is unlikely to have a serious impact.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Summer or Fall 1987.

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Title of Proposal **248 EC - A 87**
248. National Parks Fishing Regulations, amendment.

Description
The fee for fishing permit is being evaluated. Presently, only an annual fishing permit can be issued under the regulations. The feasibility of establishing daily and weekly permits is being studied.

Statutory Authority
Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act and paragraph 13(a) of the Financial Administration Act.

Anticipated Impact
No major impact on the public is anticipated.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **249 EC - A 87**
249. Dominion Water Power Regulations, amendment.

Description
The initiative will amend the Dominion Water Power Regulations, to transfer regulatory authority for water power in National Parks and Heritage Canals to the Minister of Environment. The amendment will also establish a new fee schedule for Heritage Canals.

Statutory Authority
Dominion Water Power Act.

Anticipated Impact
Simplify administration of water power facilities in National Parks and on Heritage Canals; increase government revenues from existing installations; and encourage new small hydro installations.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **250 EC - A 87**
250. Heritage Canals Regulations, amendments.

Description
The fees set out in the regulations are being studied. Amendments will be prepared if increases to fees or establishment of new fees are found necessary.

Statutory Authority
Sections 25 and 26 of the Department of Transport Act.

Anticipated Impact
Impact on the public will not be serious.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **251 EC - A 87**
251. Admission Fees (Proposed National Parks) Regulations, new regulations.

Description
Admission fees for persons and for motor vehicles are being studied for Pukaskwa and Pacific Rim which are not yet proclaimed as national parks. Regulations would be established to set out the fees.

Statutory Authority
Paragraph 13(a) of the Financial Administration Act.

Anticipated Impact
No serious impact will result from this initiative.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Winter 1987.

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Title of Proposal **252 EC - A 87**
252. Gros Morne National Park Timber Harvest Regulations, new regulations.

Description
In preparation for the proclamation of Gros Morne National Park, new regulations will be proposed to provide for the cutting and removal of timber in the park by local residents. These provisions will accord with the terms of a federal-provincial agreement for the creation of the park.

Statutory Authority
Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact
No serious impact will result from this initiative. It will recognize existing rights to cut and remove timber.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Not known, dependent on an amendment to the National Parks Act, which is now being proposed.

Contact
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Title of Proposal 253 EC - A 87
253. Gros Morne National Park Snowshoe Hare Domestic Harvest Regulations, new regulations.

Description
In preparation for the proclamation of Gros Morne National Park, new regulations will be proposed for the harvest of snowshoe hares, by local residents for domestic purposes, in the park. These provisions will accord with the terms for a federal-provincial agreement for the creation of the park.

Statutory Authority
Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact
No serious impact will result from this initiative. It will recognize existing rights to harvest snowshoe hares.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Not known, dependent on an amendment to the National Parks Act, which is now being proposed.

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Title of Proposal 254 EC - A 87
254. National Parks General Regulations, amendment.

Description

In preparation for the proclamation of Gros Morne National Park, an amendment is required to allow local persons to remove sand and gravel for construction purposes, other than for carrying out commerce in construction. This provision will accord with the terms of a federal-provincial agreement for the creation of the park.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact

No serious impact will result from this initiative. It will recognize an existing practice.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Not known, dependent on an amendment to the National Parks Act, which is now being proposed.

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Title of Proposal **255 EC - A 87**

255. National Parks Highway Traffic Regulations, amendment.

Description

In preparation for the proclamation of Gros Morne National Park, an amendment will be proposed to permit the operation of all terrain vehicles on access corridors between two enclaves of settlement in the park. This provision will accord with the terms of a federal-provincial agreement for the creation of the park.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact

No serious impact will result from this initiative. It will recognize the need for such a transportation route between existing communities.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Not known, dependent on an amendment to the National Parks Act, which is now being proposed.

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Title of Proposal 256 EC - A 87

256. National Parks Wildlife Regulations, amendment.

Description

In preparation for the proclamation of Pukaskwa National Park, an amendment will be proposed to exempt natives, with treaty rights to hunt and trap, from the provisions of these regulations. Certain provisions respecting native hunting and trapping may be added to the regulations or put into separate new Pukaskwa National Park Game Regulations.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact

No serious impact will result from this initiative. It will recognize existing rights when the area becomes a park.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Not known, dependent on an amendment to the National Parks Act, which is now being proposed.

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Title of Proposal 257 EC - A 87

257. Pukaskwa National Park Game Regulations, new regulations.

Description

New regulations respecting native hunting and trapping, in accordance with treaty rights, may be required when Pukaskwa National Park is proclaimed. If the provisions are not too complex, they will be included in the National Parks Wildlife Regulations, which will, in any case, have to be amended.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact
No serious impact will result from this initiative. It will recognize existing rights when the area becomes a park.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Not known, dependent on an amendment to the National Parks Act, which is now being proposed.

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Title of Proposal 258 EC - A 87
258. National Parks Grazing Regulations, revision.

Description
A revision is required to update these regulations. It will simplify them and make them conform to policy. In respect of the latter, grazing will be limited to horses used for or in support of recreational purposes.

Statutory Authority
Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact
No serious impact will result from this initiative.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Fall/Winter 1986 or Winter/Spring 1987.

Contact
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Title of Proposal 259 EC - A 87
259. National Parks Highway Traffic Regulations, amendment.

Description
The regulations contain a number of exemptions from the requirement to hold a park motor licence. The exemptions are being studied. An amendment may be required to remove the exemptions.

Statutory Authority
Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act and paragraph 13(a) of the Financial Administration Act.

Anticipated Impact
Removal of the exemptions will have an effect on certain sectors of the public.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
January 1987.

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Title of Proposal 260 EC - A 87

260. National Parks Lease and Licence of Occupation Regulations, amendment(s).

Description
An amendment or amendments are being considered and may be required respecting rates of rental, possible leases for portable cabins and mobile homes and rights of refusal and renewals respecting leases.

Statutory Authority
Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact
Not known, as various options are still being developed.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Not known, but not likely to occur before Summer 1987.

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MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal 261 EC - B 87

261. National Parks Utility Installation Regulations, new regulations.

Description
Existing regulations respecting electrical, gas and plumbing installations will be effected by new regulations when the National Parks Building Regulations are revoked.

Statutory Authority
Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact

No impact will occur, as existing regulatory provisions will continue to be applied.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Summer or Fall 1987.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **262 EC - B 87**

262. National Parks Building Regulations, revocation.

Description

These regulations will be replaced by the more modern National Parks Development Regulations and by National Parks Utility Installation Regulations.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact

No serious impact is expected from this initiative. The new regulations are to address inadequacies in existing regulations and they approximate similar legislation in areas outside of parks.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Summer or Fall 1987.

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Title of Proposal **263 EC - B 87**

263. National Parks Cottages Regulations, revocation.

Description

These regulations will be replaced by the more modern National Parks Development Regulations and by National Parks Property Maintenance and Occupancy Regulations.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact

No serious impact is expected from this initiative. The new regulations are to address inadequacies in existing regulations and to approximate similar legislation in areas outside of parks.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Summer or Fall 1987.

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Title of Proposal **264 EC - B 87**

264. Twin Rivers Golf Course Fees Regulations, amendment.

Description

Fee increases and new fees for the use of the golf course are being considered. Changes will depend on a review of the costs and revenues associated with the operation and maintenance of the golf course facilities.

Statutory Authority

Paragraph 13(a) of the Financial Administration Act.

Anticipated Impact

Not known, but any initiative is unlikely to have a serious impact.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Winter or Spring 1987.

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Title of Proposal **265 EC - B 87**

265. National Parks Businesses Regulations, amendment.

Description

An amendment will be needed to adjust the fees for business licences.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act and paragraph 13(a) of the Financial Administration Act.

Anticipated Impact

The fees will be adjusted in response to the business community within the parks.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

February 1987.

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Title of Proposal 266 EC - B 87

266. Wood Buffalo National Park Game Regulations, amendment.

Description

An amendment is required to address, with discretion, concerns which were raised by the Standing Joint Committee on Regulations and Other Statutory Instruments. Minor changes are also needed to update the regulations.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact

No serious impact will result from this initiative.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Summer or Fall 1986.

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Title of Proposal 267 EC - B 87

267. National Parks Water and Sewer Regulations, amendment.

Description

These regulations are being amended to place the responsibility for additional water and sewer infrastucture on the developer of property in the parks. Changes are also required to update the regulations.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact

No serious impact is expected from this initiative. Developers will have to absorb costs for additional infrastructure, as opposed to the government and local ratepayers.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Fall/Winter 1986 or Winter/Spring 1987.

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Title of Proposal **268 EC - B 87**

268. National Parks Wildlife Regulations, amendment.

Description

This amendment includes changes to update the regulations and to provide more stringent guidance respecting the possession of wildlife and weapons in national parks.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact

No serious impact will result from this initiative.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Fall/Winter 1986 or Winter/Spring 1987.

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Title of Proposal **269 EC - B 87**

269. National Parks Signs Regulations, amendment.

Description

An amendment is required to respond to a concern raised by the Standing Joint Committee on Regulations and Other Statutory Instruments. The fee for a sign permit will be made into a single fee as opposed to a fee that varies with the value of the sign.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act and paragraph 13(a) of the Financial Administration Act.

Anticipated Impact

No serious impact will result from this initiative.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Fall/Winter 1986 or Winter/Spring 1987.

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Title of Proposal 270 EC - B 87

270. National Parks Timber Regulations, amendment.

Description

An amendment is required to respond to authority concerns raised by the Standing Joint Committee on Regulations and Other Statutory Instruments.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact

No serious impact will result from this initiative.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Fall/Winter 1986 or Winter/Spring 1987.

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Title of Proposal 271 EC - B 87

271. National Parks Fishing Regulations, amendment.

Description

In preparation for the proclamation of Pukaskwa National Park, an amendment will be proposed to exempt natives, with treaty rights to fish for domestic purposes, from most of the provisions of the regulations.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact

No serious impact will result from this initiative. it will recognize existing rights when the area becomes a park.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Not known, dependent on an amendment to the National Parks Act, which is now being proposed.

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Title of Proposal 272 EC - B 87

272. National Parks Camping Regulations, amendment.

Description

In preparation for proclamation of Pukaskwa National Park, an amendment will be proposed to exempt natives, with treaty rights to fish, from the requirement to pay fees for a camping permit while they are fishing in Lake Superior.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact

No serious impact will result from this initiative.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Not known, dependent on an amendment to the National Parks Act, which is now being proposed.

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Title of Proposal 273 EC - B 87

273. National Parks Fishing Regulations, amendment.

Description

An amendment will be necessary to modify open seasons, catch and possession limits etc. Amendments of this nature are usually made annually.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact

The amendment is made essentially to improve management of fish within the parks. Impact on the public is minimal.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Spring of 1987.

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Title of Proposal **274 EC - B 87**
274. National Parks General Regulations, amendment.

Description
A number of changes are required to respond to authority concerns raised by the Standing Joint Committee on Regulations and Other Statutory Instruments. As well, corrections are needed to the French version of the Regulations. Changes to improve the administration of the regulations may also be required.

Statutory Authority
Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact
No serious impact will result from this initiative.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Spring or Summer 1987.

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Title of Proposal **275 EC - B 87**
275. Banff Townsite Zoning Regulations, amendment(s).

Description
A zoning map amendment or amendments will be considered where any change is requested by residents of the townsite, accords with the urban plan and existing policy and is recommended by the Banff Municipal Committee.

Statutory Authority
Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact
Not known, but any initiatives are unlikely to have a serious impact.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Not known, dependent on time of any requests by local residents.

Contact

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Title of Proposal 276 EC - B 87

276. Jasper Townsite Zoning Regulations, amendment(s).

Description

A zoning map amendment or amendments will be considered where any change is requested by residents of the townsite, accords with the urban plan and existing policy and is recommended by the Jasper Townsite Committee.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact

Not known, but any initiatives are unlikely to have a serious impact.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Not known, dependent on time of any requests by local residents.

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Title of Proposal 277 EC - B 87

277. National Parks Water and Sewer Regulations, amendment.

Description

Changes are needed to respond to authority and wording concerns raised by the Standing Joint Committee on Regulations and Other Statutory Instruments.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact

No serious impact will result from this initiative.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Summer or Fall 1987.

Contact
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Title of Proposal 278 EC - B 87
278. National Parks General Regulations, amendment.

Description
An amendment will be required to fulfill the proposed amendment to the National Parks Act which authorizes the Minister of the Environment to enter into agreements for the provision of municipal, health, welfare and safety services to the parks.

Statutory Authority
Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact
The amendment is for administrative purposes and there will be little impact on the public.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Fall of 1987.

Contact
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Title of Proposal 279 EC - B 87
279. National Parks Wilderness Area Regulations, new regulations.

Description
Proposed amendments to the National Parks Act provide for the designation of wilderness areas in the national parks. If the enabling legislation goes into effect, these regulations will be established.

Statutory Authority
Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact
Some development interests may resist the establishment of the regulations.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Fall of 1987.

Contact

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Title of Proposal 280 EC - B 87

280. National Parks Highway Traffic Regulations, amendment.

Description

The regulations were last revised in 1971. A study is now underway to determine weaknesses. An amendment will be developed based on the study.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact

The initiative is and will be consistent with the Regulatory Policy and the Citizens' Code.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Summer of 1987.

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Title of Proposal 281 EC - B 87

281. National Parks Businesses Regulations, amendment.

Description

An amendment will be required to address weaknesses that have been identified in the regulations. The amendment would be directed at improving the administrative provisions of the regulations.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact

There would be little impact on the public.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Fall of 1987.

Contact

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Title of Proposal 282 EC - B 87

282. National Parks Fishing Regulations, amendment.

Description

The regulations were last revised in 1977. Although numerous amendments have taken place during that time, some weaknesses in the regulations have developed. An amendment will be prepared to address the weaknesses.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact

The amendment will improve management of fish and should have minimal impact on the public.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Summer of 1987.

Contact

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ROUTINE INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal 283 EC - C 87

283. Amendments to nine Regulations, Position Title Changes.

Description

Amendments are required so that regulations accurately reflect persons who are responsible for approvals, etc., therein. These are as a result of organizational position title changes.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact

There will be no impact.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Fall 1986 or Winter/Spring 1987.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **284 EC - C 87**

284. National Parks Townsite and Subdivision Designation Regulations, amendment.

Description

It may be necessary to revise the list of plan numbers scheduled to these regulations. This is routinely done to ensure accurate and up-to-date designations. Changes may also be necessary to reflect the new terminology proposed for developed areas in the parks under the proposed amendments to the National Parks Act.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 7(1) of the National Parks Act.

Anticipated Impact

No serious impact will result from this initiative.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Not known, dependent on survey revisions and additions.

Contact

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EXTERNAL AFFAIRS CANADA

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- International Trade Development
- International Economic Trade and Aid Policy
- Political, Legal and International Security Affairs
- Social Affairs and Programs
- Bilateral Relations and Operations
- Passports
- Operational Support, Human Resource Planning and Administration.

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In the economic field, an important legislative instrument is the Export and Import Permits Act, R.S.C. 1970, Chapter E-17. The Act gives the Government the authority to control and monitor the transborder flow of specified goods.

Other enabling legislation governing Canada's international obligations include the Diplomatic and Consular Privileges and Immunities, SC 1976-77 c. 31, the Privileges and Immunities (International Organizations) Act, R.S.C. 1970 c P-22, the Privileges and Immunities (North Atlantic Treaty Organization) Act, PSC 1970, C. P-23, the United Nations Air Services Act, SC 1980-81-82-83, c. 61 and the Food and Agriculture Organization of the United Nations Act, R.S.C. 1970 c. F-26.

In the bilateral field, the International Boundary Waters Treaty Act, R.S.C. 1970 c. I-20, the Rainy Lake Watershed Emergency Control, SC 1939, c.33, and the Roosevelt-Campobello International Park Commission Act, SC 1964-65, c.19 deal with Canada/USA environmental and transboundary questions.

EXTERNAL AFFAIRS CANADA

ROUTINE INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **285 ExtAff - C 87**
285. Amendments to regulations respecting import permits.

Description

The proposed amendment by Order In Council would make mandatory the return to the department of unused import permits within a specified period of time. At present, there is no such provision in the Import Permit Regulations. For products subject to quantitative controls, importers take the initiative to return unused permits voluntarily, since this ensures that individual import quota allocations are adjusted to reflect only actual imports. However, in the case where permits are issued solely to monitor imports (pursuant to Section 5(3) of the Act) there is no compelling motivation for importers to return unused permits. Since the aim of a monitoring system is to collect timely and accurate information, the system would tend to always overstate import levels, unless those with unused import permits were obliged to return them to the issuing office. As well, the proposed amendments would remove outdated references in current regulations to the Department of Industry, Trade and Commerce as being the administering department.

Statutory Authority

Export and Import Permits Act.

Anticipated Impact

Less than five per cent of import permits tend to remain unutilized. The burden to importers would thus be minimal and would consist solely of additional postage costs to return the unused permit.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **286 ExtAff - C 87**
286. Import Permits Fees Order.

Description
Order respecting fees for services provided with respect to import permits issued pursuant to the Exports and Import Permits Act (EIPA).

Statutory Authority
Financial Administration Act and Export and Import Permits Act.

Anticipated Impact
Fees (charges) payable for delivery of import permits.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
August 1987.

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Title of Proposal **287 ExtAff - C 87**
287. Order respecting the granting of certain privileges and immunities in Canada in connection with the sixth meeting of the conference of parties to the Convention on the International Trade in Endangered Species of Wild Fauna and Flora, (CITES) to be held in Ottawa July 12-25, 1987.

Description
The purpose of the order is to grant to the conference of the parties to the CITES, to the representatives of CITES parties or non-member States, and to the staff of the United Nations, the Specialized Agencies and the International Atomic Energy Agency, in Canada, to such extent as may be required for the performance of their functions in relation to the conference to be held in Ottawa, July 12-25, 1987, and to the site of the meeting as the premises of the conference for the purpose of the meeting, the privileges and immunities set forth in Articles II, III, IV and V of the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations.
The order will be valid for a limited period commencing July 5, 1987 terminating August 1, 1987. It is required to allow the Government of Canada to perform its responsibilities as the host authority for the practical and technical organization of the meeting.

Statutory Authority
Section 3 of the Privileges and Immunities (International Organizations Act (S.C. 1974-75-76, c. 69, s.2).

Anticipated Impact
We anticipate no impact on any of the sectors of the Canadian economy.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
March 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **288 ExtAff - C 87**

288. Order respecting the granting of certain privileges and immunities in Canada in connection with the Third Conference of the Contracting Parties to the Convention on Wetlands of International Importance Especially as Waterfowl Habitat, to be held in Regina May 27-June 5, 1987.

Description
The purpose of the order is to grant to the Conference of the Contracting Parties to the Convention on Wetlands of International Importance Especially as Waterfowl Habitat, to the representatives of the Contracting Parties or non-member States and to the staff of the United Nations, the Specialized Agencies, the International Atomic Energy Agency, or of any Party to the Statute of the International Court of Justice, in Canada, to such extent as may be required for the performance of their functions in relation to the Conference to be held in Regina, May 27 - June 5, 1987, and to the site of the meeting as the premises of the Conference for the purpose of the meeting, the privileges and immunities set forth in Articles II, III, IV, and V of the Convention on the Privileges and Immunities of the United Nations.

The order will be valid for a limited period commencing May 20, 1987 terminating June 12, 1987. It is required to allow the Government of Canada to perform its responsibilites as the host authority for the practical and technical organization of the meeting.

Statutory Authority
Section 3 of the Privileges and Immunities (International Organizations Act (S.C. 1974-75-76, c. 69, s.2).

Anticipated Impact

We anticipate no impact on any of the sectors of the Canadian economy.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

February 20, 1987.

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DEPARTMENT OF FINANCE CANADA

Roles and Responsibilities

The Financial Administration Act provides the Minister of Finance with the broad responsibility for "the management of the Consolidated Revenue Fund and the supervision, control and direction of all matters relating to the financial affairs of Canada not by law assigned to the Treasury Board or to any other Minister."

The Department of Finance is the central agency of the federal government responsible for advice on the economic and financial affairs of Canada. It is concerned with all aspects of the performance of the Canadian economy. It oversees all government actions affecting the economy to ensure harmony, follows the development of external factors that bear on domestic economic performance, and examines the economic actions taken by other orders of government. Its most visible output is the federal Budget.

The department oversees six programs which make up the whole of the Public Debt Envelope, the majority of the Fiscal Arrangements Envelope, a portion of the External Affairs Envelope and part of the Services to Government Envelope. Following is a brief summary of each of these programs.

Financial and Economic Policies: This program consists of four activities. This core program is responsible for the development of policies and the provision of advice on a wide range of financial and economic matters and also includes the resources required for the delivery of the Public Debt Program, the Fiscal Transfer Payments Program, the Special Program and for the delivery of payments in respect of Domestic Coinage and to International Financial Organizations.

Public Debt: This program operates under the statutory authority of Part IV of the Financial Administration Act and provides the necessary funds for the interest and servicing costs of the public debt and for the issuing costs of new loans.

Fiscal Transfer Payments: This program, which operates under the authorities of the Constitution Acts 1867 and 1982, the Federal-Provincial Fiscal Arrangements and Federal Post-Secondary Education and Health Contributions Act, 1977 and other Statutory Authority, provides the necessary funds for transfer payments to the provinces.

Canadian Import Tribunal: This program provides for the operating costs of the Canadian Import Tribunal which is responsible for enforcing the Special Import Measures Act.

Inspector General of Banks: This program provides for the operating costs of the Office of the Inspector General of Banks which is responsible for ensuring that the provisions of the Bank Act and the Quebec Savings Banks Act are being duly observed.

Special Program: This program normally provides the necessary funds for special items that are not related to existing programs.

Section 8 of the Financial Administration Act is the legislative authority which established the Department of Finance. Section 9 assigns responsibility to the Minister of Finance for "the management of the Consolidated Revenue Fund and the supervision, control and direction of all matters relating to the financial affairs of Canada not by law assigned to the Treasury Board or to any other Minister." It is in this context that the Department supports the Minister in his responsibility for the country's economic and financial affairs.

The International Financial Organizations activity includes investment in the International Development Association (IDA) authorized by the International Development Association Act and subscriptions to the International Monetary Fund (IMF), the International Finance Corporation (IFC) and the International Bank for Reconstruction and Development (IBRD) authorized by the Bretton Woods Agreement Act.

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **289 Fin - A 87**
289. Amendment to Income Tax Regulations.

Description
Amends section 700 of the Income Tax Regulations. Relates to logging tax deduction. Relieving in nature.

Statutory Authority
Section 221 of the Income Tax Regulations.

Anticipated Impact
Relieving.

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Title of Proposal **290 Fin - A 87**
290. Petroleum and Gas Revenue Tax (PGRT) regulation amendment resulting from Bill C-8.

Description
Amends the PGRT regulations pursuant to C.46, 1984 statutes (C-8).

Statutory Authority
Section 103 of the PGRT Act.

Anticipated Impact
Refers to the April 1983 budget papers.

Contact
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Title of Proposal **291 Fin - A 87**
291. Income Tax Regulations amendments.

Description
C.46 technical amendments (C-72).

Statutory Authority
S.221 Income Tax Act.

Anticipated Impact
Refer to May 1985 budget papers.

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Title of Proposal **292 Fin - A 87**
292. Amendment to the Income Tax Regulations.

Description
Regulations deriving from amendment to the Income Tax Act C.2 Statutes of 1986 dealing with Resource Taxation.

Statutory Authority
Section 221 of the Income Tax Act.

Anticipated Impact
N/A.

Contact
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Title of Proposal **293 Fin - A 87**
293. Amendments to Income Tax Regulations (C-84) C.6.

Description
Prescribed Canadian Exploration and Development Expense. (Western Accord) C.6, 1986.

Statutory Authority
Section 221 of the Income Tax Act.

Anticipated Impact
N/A.

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Title of Proposal **294 Fin - A 87**
294. Amendment to the Income Tax Regulatons.

Description
Regulations concerning charitable organizations.

Statutory Authority
Section 221 of the Income Tax Act.

Anticipated Impact
N/A.

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Title of Proposal **295 Fin - A 87**
295. Amendment to the Income Tax Regulations.

Description
Technical changes to the Regulations consequentially to C.6 Statutes of Canada 1986 dealing with capital gains.

Statutory Authority
Section 221 of the Income Tax Act.

Anticipated Impact
N/A.

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Title of Proposal **296 Fin - A 87**
296. Amendments to the Income Tax Regulations.

Description
Changing the name of St. Christopher (St. Kitts-Nevis).

Statutory Authority
Section 221 of the Income Tax Act.

Anticipated Impact
N/A.

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Title of Proposal **297 Fin - A 87**
297. Amendments to the Income Tax Regulations.

Description
Section 4802, prescribed trusts.

Statutory Authority
Section 221 of the Income Tax Act.

Anticipated Impact
N/A.

Contact
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Title of Proposal **298 Fin - A 87**
298. Amendment to the Income Tax Regulations.

Description
Rates of interest chargeable on penalties and overdue amounts.

Statutory Authority
Section 221 of the Income Tax Act.

Anticipated Impact
N/A.

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Title of Proposal **299 Fin - A 87**
299. Income Tax Regulation amendments.

Description
Regulations consequential to the February 26, 1986 budget.

Statutory Authority
Section 221 of the Income Tax Act.

Anticipated Impact
See February 26, 1986 budget papers.

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Title of Proposal **300 Fin - A 87**
300. Income Tax Regulation amendments.

Description
Paragraph 805(1)(a) of the Regulations. Deals with non-residents taxed under Part XIII of the Act.

Statutory Authority
Section 221 of the Income Tax Act.

Anticipated Impact
N/A.

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Title of Proposal **301 Fin - A 87**
301. Amendment to the Income Tax Regulations.

Description
Amends sections 105 dealing with non-resident source deductions.

Statutory Authority
Sections 221 of the Income Tax Act.

Anticipated Impact
N/A.

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Title of Proposal **302 Fin - A 87**
302. Amendments to the Income Tax Regulations.

Description
Section 6700 of the Regulations dealing with prescribed venture capital corporations.

Statutory Authority

Section 221 of the Income Tax Act.

Anticipated Impact

N/A.

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MAJOR/MINOR/ROUTINE INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **303 Fin - ABC 87**

303. Duty Relief for Canadian Manufacturers.

Description

Reducing or eliminating duty at the request of Canadian manufacturers; Orders in Council are sought on an "as required" basis. On average, authority for 100-150 rate reductions is sought annually.

Statutory Authority

Currently, Section 273 of the Customs Act, Section 12 of the Customs Tariff and Section 17 of the Financial Administration Act. Authorities will be consolidated in the Duties Relief Act which has received Royal Assent and will proclaimed shortly after the proclamation of the new Customs Act.

Anticipated Impact

Duty relief strengthens Canadian manufacturing capacity by assisting Canadian manufacturers to compete more effectively in the domestic (and sometimes foreign) market against imports from other countries.

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Title of Proposal **304 Fin - ABC 87**

304. Withdrawal of Preferential Rates of Duty.

Description

The Minister of Finance may recommend to the Governor in Council the withdrawal of preferential rates of duty on goods imported from countries entitled to the General Preferential Tariff, the British Preferential Tariff, or the special CARIBCAN Free rates. These recommendations are usually made only after public hearings and a report and recommendation by the Tariff Board, which is tabled in the House of Commons.

Statutory Authority
Subsection 3.2(2) of Customs Tariff and Subsection 24(7) of Customs Tariff.

Anticipated Impact
Withdrawal of preferential rates of duty allows Canadian manufacturers who are being injured by such imports to become more economically viable.

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Title of Proposal **305 Fin - ABC 87**

305. Government actions resulting from Canada's rights and obligations under the General Agreement on Tariffs and Trade (GATT) and other trade agreements (e.g. the Canada/Australia Trade Agreement).

Description
From time to time, recommendations are made by the Minister of Finance to the Governor in Council to modify tariff rates on imported products in response to domestic or international situations where Canada's rights and obligations under the GATT or other trade agreements are involved.

Statutory Authority
Various sections of the Customs Tariff.

Anticipated Impact
Allows Canada to exercise its rights or respond to its legally binding obligations under the GATT and other trade agreements.

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MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **306 Fin - B 87**

306. Regulations Respecting the Transfer of Amounts in Respect of Taxes Imposed Under the Canada-Newfoundland Atlantic Accord Implementation Act.

Description

The regulation would authorize the transfer to the Province of Newfoundland of amounts in respect of tax revenues received pursuant to the Canada-Newfoundland Atlantic Accord Implementation Act, principally corporate income tax and sales tax in respect of petroleum related activity in the Newfoundland offshore area.

Statutory Authority

Atlantic Accord Implementation Act (when passed).

Anticipated Impact

There will be no impact on corporations or individuals.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Winter 1987.

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Title of Proposal **307 Fin - B 87**

307. Regulations Respecting the Transfer of Amounts in Respect of Taxes Imposed Under the Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation Act.

Description

The regulation would authorize the transfer to the Province of Nova Scotia of amounts in respect of tax revenues received pursuant to the Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation Act, principally corporate income tax and sales tax in respect of petroleum related activity in the Nova Scotia offshore area.

Statutory Authority

Canada-Nova Scotia Offshore Petroleum Resources Accord Implementation Act (provisional title, legislation not yet ready).

Anticipated Impact

There will be no impact on corporations or individuals.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Spring 1987.

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OFFICE OF THE INSPECTOR GENERAL OF BANKS

ROUTINE INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **308 Fin - C 87**
308. Miscellaneous Ministerial and Other Orders.

Description
Authority to issue a number of permissions and exemptions to banks and foreign banks by Ministerial Order and Order in Council is established in the Bank Act. It is anticipated that a number of such Orders will be issued in 1987 upon the application of banks and foreign banks. The exact number of Orders that may issued is not determinable.

Statutory Authority
The Orders are made under the authority of the Bank Act. The majority of Orders will likely be made pursuant to subsection 174(6) and section 193 of the Bank Act, although Orders may be made pursuant to other sections.

Anticipated Impact
The permissions are exemptions accorded to banks are part of an ongoing process of routine supervisory control. The anticipated impact on the economy or society is ancillary to the primary impact on the banks and is not considered to be of material significance to the general public.

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Title of Proposal **309 Fin - C 87**
309. Miscellaneous Amendments to Regulations.

Description
There are approximately twenty Regulations made by Governor in Council pursuant to the authority of the Bank Act. These Regulations deal with matters pertaining to the supervision of banks.

During 1987, it is possible that minor and insignificant changes to some of these Regulations will be necessary (a) to clarify intent or purpose, (b) to correct ambiguities, (c) to delete obsolete provisions, or (d) for some other routine and minor purpose. The nature and number of these changes is not determinable.

Statutory Authority

The Regulations are made pursuant to the Bank Act.

Anticipated Impact

The amendments that may be necessary will have no material impact on banks or the public due to their minor and insignificant nature.

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DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES AND OCEANS

Roles and Responsibilities

The major responsibilities of the Department of Fisheries and Oceans (DFO) include fisheries management and research in coastal and certain inland waters; fisheries economic development and marketing; international fisheries negotiations; oceanographic research; hydrographic surveying and charting; and the development and administration of fishing and recreational harbours, in all parts of Canada.

The federal government, under the BNA Act, has exclusive legislative jurisdiction over Canada's fisheries in coastal and inland waters, but some provinces have been delegated certain administrative responsibilities in varying degrees. Thus, the Department of Fisheries and Oceans is fully responsible for the managment of all fisheries, both marine and freshwater, in our east coast provinces, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Newfoundland and Prince Edward Island, and in the Northwest and Yukon Territories. In four inland provinces, Ontario, Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta, the management of all fisheries is a provincial responsibility. In British Columbia, the fisheries for marine and anadromous species (i.e., fish that migrate from freshwater to sea) are managed by the federal department, while the provincial government manages freshwater fisheries. In Quebec, all freshwater, anadromous and catadromous (eels) species are managed by the provincial government, with the remaining marine species the responsibility of the federal authorities. The inspection of fish and fishery products for trade outside provincial boundaries is undertaken by the federal government in all areas of Canada.

The main legislative authority of the department is the Fisheries Act. Under this Act, regulations are established to control such matters as the timing, length and scope of fishing seasons; type of harvesting equipment that may be used; catch quotas; protection of fish habitat; poaching; etc.

Another important piece of legislation for which the department is responsible is the Fish Inspection Act. Regulations made under this Act ensure that the harvesting and processing of fish is conducted under approved hygienic conditions for the protection of the consumer. DFO inspectors are also responsible for checking that all imported fish products comply with established standards.

The Minister of Fisheries and Oceans is responsible for the following acts:

- Coastal Fisheries Protection Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. C-21
- Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14
- Fisheries Development Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-21
- Fisheries Improvement Loans Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-22
- Fisheries Prices Support Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-23
- Fisheries and Oceans Research Advisory Council Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-24
- Fish Inspection Act, R.S.C. 1952, c. 118
- Fishing and Recreational Harbours Act, R.S.C. 1977-78, c. 30
- Freshwater Fish Marketing Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-13
- Great Lakes Fisheries Convention Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-15
- Northern Pacific Halibut Fisheries Convention Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-17
- North Pacific Fisheries Convention Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-16
- Northwest Atlantic Fisheries Convention Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-18
- Pacific Fur Seals Convention Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-33
- Pacific Salmon Fisheries Convention Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-19
- Saltfish Act, R.S.C. 1970 (1st Supp.), c. 37
- Territorial Sea and Fishing Zones Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. T-7.

DEPARTMENT OF FISHERIES AND OCEANS
ATLANTIC FISHERIES

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal 310 DFO - A 87

310. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985 amendment to (a) authorize a Regional Director-General to designate ports at which herring caught by mobile gear can be landed; (b) require authorization to land herring; and (c) require mandatory weighing of herring at time of landing.

Description

The present inability of DFO to accurately monitor and enforce individual mobile gear vessel quotas (these being part of a 10-year guarantee by government to industry) in the herring fishery stems from the complete lack of regulatory control governing landing sites, offloading and weighing. This proposal is planned to come into effect on April 1, 1987 and does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act - R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

Some initial cost to industry to set up scales or establish other weighing facilities to comply with the mandatory weighing provision. Increased ability of DFO to monitor and enforce the individual mobile gear vessel quotas with positive benefits for stock conservation and improvement.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

March 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal 311 DFO - A 87

311. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, amendment to establish a line at 43°40'N. latitude to separate the inshore and offshore scallop fleets' fishing grounds.

Description

A need has been identified by DFO and the offshore scallop fleet to limit access to Georges Bank (5Ze) by the inshore scallop fleet to ensure long-term stability in the fishery. While no mutually-acceptable solution has been finalized, it is proposed that the inshore fleet would be phased off Georges Bank by 1989 and restricted to operations north of 43°40'N. latitude after that time. The offshore fleet would immediately be restricted to waters south of 43°40'N. latitude. This proposal is planned to be effective April 1, 1987 and does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

This proposal was established on the basis of historical catch performance which indicated that the inshore fleet would not experience an overall catch reduction if excluded from Georges Bank but given exclusive access to the scallop resource north of 43°40'N. latitude.

The inshore fleet maintains that without future access to Georges Bank they will suffer financial hardship, especially when the Bay of Fundy scallop stocks are at reduced levels.

The offshore scallop fleet, on the other hand, has agreed in 1986 to a self-imposed Total Allowable Catch (TAC) in an effort to bring stability to the Georges Bank fishery, which is now experiencing exceptionally good catch rates. Additionally, they have entered into an Enterprise Allocation (EA) scheme which will allow for sound economic investment and fleet rationalization. They contend that with continued access to Georges Bank the inshore fleet has the potential to jeopardize the TAC and the long-term stability which now appears attainable.

Without fleet separation on Georges Bank, enforcement of the meat count on the inshore fleet and monitoring of their present 2.9 per cent quota of the offshore's previous year's catch will continue to be an acute problem.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

March 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **312 DFO - A 87**

312. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, amendment to establish specific vessel classes with close times and revise license fees in the offshore scallop fishery.

Description

Following extensive consultations with the offshore scallop industry through the Offshore Scallop Advisory Committee, an Enterprise Allocation (EA) scheme was concluded to be the best solution for long-term stability in the fishery. Industry then formalized an agreement which, as far as possible, shared the available resource equitably among the vessel owners. No mechanism is currently in place which ensures that once an owner has caught his allocation he can then be restrained from exceeding it. The establishment in regulations of specific vessel classes and close times for each EA holder will ensure the integrity of the scheme is maintained for everyone. This proposal is anticipated to come into effect by April 1, 1987 and it does not contain a sunset clause.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

Both short-term and long-term economic advantages to industry. This proposal will allow the season to be closed when an EA is reached and will be consistent with the regulations now in place for groundfish, which, for the most part, is under an EA scheme.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

March 1, 1986.

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Title of Proposal **313 DFO - A 87**

313. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, amendment to increase lobster carapace size for the Cape Breton portion of Lobster Fishing Area 26.

Description

Cape Breton area lobster fishermen have expressed a need to increase lobster carapace size for the purpose of enhancing the stability of local lobster stock. In 1986, a four-year pilot project was implemented, on a voluntary basis, to increase the minimum size of lobster. This amendment would make the increase mandatory beginning in 1987. The amendment will increase the minimum legal lobster carapace size from 63.5 mm to 69.85 mm by 1989. A publication date of April 1, 1987 is required. No sunset provision is anticipated.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

Initially, landings and net revenues will be slightly lower than currently experienced in the fishery. By 1989, benefits, through landings and revenues, are expected to increase appreciably with the implementation of this amendment. In addition, the amendment will improve the long-term stability of the stock.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 15, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **314 DFO - A 87**

314. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, amendment. Lobster Escape Mechanisms.

Description

There is a high mortality rate of undersized or juvenile lobsters once they have been caught in a lobster trap. This mortality rate is due to excessive and damaging handling by fishermen and also to greater exposure to natural predators once they have been released. This amendment to section 61 of the said regulations will make it mandatory to have escape mechanisms installed in traps. A publication date of April 1, 1987 is required. No sunset provision is anticipated.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

Little negative impacts are foreseen. The cost of installation will be outweighed by the benefits from having increased numbers of lobsters available for harvest in the second year of the program. In addition, there will be benefits for secondary industry through manufacturing of the approved escapement mechanisms.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
April 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **315 DFO - A 87**

315. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, amendment. Vessels less than 19.8 m in length using otter trawls - White Head Hole, N.S.

Description

Before being closed in 1980, vessels greater than 19.8 m using otter trawls were disrupting cod stocks during winter fishing in the White Head Hole. The result was poor catches by inshore gear during the following summer fishery. At the time, only vessels greater than 19.8 m are fishing the area. This is having some disruption on cod stock migration into the Chedabucto Bay area, a traditional inshore summer fishing location. Additionally, large vessel owners are requesting reentrance into the area given the selective nature of the closure to vessels greater than 19.8 m in length. The current closure is January 1 to June 30 for vessels greater than 19.8 m in length. The amendment would include in this closure vessels less than 19.8 m. This amendment is planned to come into effect on April 1, 1987 and does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

This closure would displace six Eastern Nova Scotia vessels less than 19.8 currently active in the area during the January to June closure. This may have some marginal improvement on inshore fishing in the summer period. It will complete the universal application of the closure which, if opened fully, could have severe repercussions in terms of catch declines on the inshore sector.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
March 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **316 DFO - A 87**

316. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, amendment to require mandatory weighing of scallop meats.

Description

Currently DFO does not have the capability to accurately monitor the Enterprise Allocation (EA) and Total Allowable Catch (TAC) quotas in place for the offshore scallop fishery. An amendment to require industry to weigh scallop meats at the time of landing from a vessel will ensure that the integrity of EAs and the TAC is maintained. This proposal is planned to come into effect on April 1, 1987 and does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

a) Initial cost to industry in setting up scales and weighing facilities to comply with the mandatory weighing provision, although under existing practice most are already complying.

b) Increased ability of DFO to monitor and enforce the TAC and EAs with the result being an orderly annual harvest and stable resource base in the future.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

March 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **317 DFO - A 87**

317. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, amendment introducing a herring fishing conservation area on Trinity Ledge in the Bay of Fundy.

Description

The Trinity Ledge spawning ground has always been a major component of the entire 4WX fishery. Recent CAFSAC assessments indicate that this stock has in recent years been subjected to a dramatically increased fishing effort during the stock's spawning period. It is currently estimated that a reduction of effort by 25 per cent during the spawning period would significantly reduce the threat to the viability of this component of the fishery. This proposal will establish a control mechanism on Trinity Ledge which will protect spawning adult herring from overfishing and disruption. It is anticipated that this amendment will come into effect by April 1, 1987 and it does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority
Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact
The potential biological impact would be to protect a portion of the 4WX herring spawning stocks from overfishing by restricting access to fishing for specified periods.

The short-term impact of a closed conservation fishing area on the fishery participants (fishermen, vessel owners, and industry people) will be to exclude them from a significant portion of a very lucrative and highly marketable resource (the Japanese roe market). The proposed restrictions are even more significant for the participants in light of the recent deterioration of alternative traditional markets. The long-term impact will be to ensure a more stable resource base upon which the existing industry can depend in the future. The net benefits for all participants and society over a period of time (several years) is much greater than the short-term capital gains available by overfishing and depleting the resource to meet the current market situation.

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Title of Proposal **318 DFO - A 87**

318. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, amendment to establish appropriate scallop meat counts for Subdivision 5Ze, Divisions 4X, 4VW and Subdivision 3Ps.

Description

Under a current regulation the offshore scallop fleet is restricted to one scallop meat count in 5Ze, 4X, 4VW and 3Ps and the inshore scallop fleet is restricted to that same count only when fishing in 5Ze. This regulation is not biologically appropriate for all areas and favours the inshore fleet in all areas except 5Ze. This proposal will establish a more biologically appropriate meat count for each area identified and correct inequities in application between the two fleets. This proposal is anticipated to come into effect by April 1, 1987 and does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

Depending on what level meat counts are set at, some short term costs to the inshore fleet may be experienced because of the reduced number of legal scallops that will be available to them. Short-term and long-term positive economic benefits will be felt by the offshore fleet since it is likely the meat counts will be increased somewhat for areas other than 5Ze, thereby making more legally harvestable scallops available immediately.

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Title of Proposal 319 DFO - A 87

319. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, amendment to impose mandatory advance reporting of scallop landings from offshore scallop vessels and inshore scallop vessels fishing Georges Bank.

Description

This proposal will allow effective enforcement of scallop meat counts, Total Allowable Catch (TAC), and Enterprise Allocations (EA) through requiring advance notice of a scallop vessel's intention to land its catch at a specific time and place. This will enable fishery officers to meet these vessels to ensure compliance. This proposal is planned to come into effect on April 1, 1987 and does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

No negative impact on any sector is anticipated. Companies and fishermen operating scallop vessels merely would be required to pass such information to fishery officers. The amendment will enable fishery officers to meet these vessels to ensure compliance of scallop meat counts, total allowable catches, and enterprise allocations. The diversity of landings places and times currently makes effective enforcement in this fishery difficult.

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Title of Proposal **320 DFO - A 87**

320. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, amendment to revise licence fees in the offshore groundfish fishery.

Description

Following extensive consultations with the offshore groundfish industry through the Offshore Vessel Owners Working Group and the Independent Offshore Group, and with the Provinces through the Federal-Provincial Atlantic Fisheries Committee and the Atlantic Fisheries Ministers Committee, the Enterprise Allocations (EA) scheme implemented in 1982 was refined to give longer-term stability to the industry and the fishery. Industry and the Provinces have recommended the adoption of a licence fee system based on the quantity of fish allocated to each company rather than on the size of the vessel used. This new licence fee approach would not increase the total licence revenue from the offshore fleet but licence costs will be more equitably distributed among resource users. This proposal is anticipated to come into effect by April 1, 1987 and it does not contain a sunset clause.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

Both short-term and long-term benefits to the industry as a whole. Licence fees would be more equitably distributed among users.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **321 DFO - A 87**

321. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, amendment to specific vessel classes for the offshore groundfish fishery.

Description
Following extensive consultations with the offshore groundfish industry through the Offshore Vessel Owners Working Group and the Independent Offshore Group, and with the Provinces through the Federal-Provincial Atlantic Fisheries Committee and the Atlantic Fisheries Ministers Committee, an Enterprise Allocation (EA) program was implemented in 1982. Since that time, a number of the companies involved have been restructured or sold. In order to close current fisheries, regulatory amendments are required to reflect changes in ownership of the various companies which hold enterprise allocations. No mechanism is currently in place to ensure that once a new or restructued company has caught his allocation he can then be restrained from exceeding it. The establishment in regulations of specific vessel classes and close time for each EA holder will ensure the integrity of the scheme is maintained for everyone. This proposal is anticipated to come into effect by April 1, 1987 and it does not contain a sunset clause.

Statutory Authority
Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact
Both short-term and long-term economic advantages to industry as well as conservation of the resource.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **322 DFO - A 87**

322. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, amendment to include Atlantic halibut as a regulated species.

Description

In 1984 and 1985, an experimental fishery was conducted for Atlantic halibut in Divisions 3NO. During this experimental fishery, excessive by-catches of cod were recorded. Since Atlantic halibut is not a regulated species, the fishery could not be closed and thus the by-catch of cod could not be controlled.

The proposal to make Atlantic halibut a regulated species followed extensive consultations with the Atlantic Groundfish Advisory Committee. The proposal will allow closure of the Atlantic halibut fishery, which will in turn control the by-catch of 3NO cod and will act to protect the 3NO cod stock against overfishing.

This proposal would come into effect by April 1, 1987 and does not contain a sunset clause.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

This action will provide benefits to all sectors of the industry, especially those dependent on 3NO cod for their livelihood.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **323 DFO - B 87**

323. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, amendment to redefine Class C vessels.

Description

Discrepancies in competitiveness have led to inequities in the current groundfish quota management system, particularly regarding vessels based in Eastern Nova Scotia and Southwestern Newfoundland. This proposal will sub-divide Class C vessels (mobile gear less than 19.8 m in overall length) into a number of component parts which will more equitably guarantee an amount of fish for these vessels based on their historic catch performance. This change will be effected by amending the definition of Class C vessels and establishing appropriate close times for each newly defined component of Class C vessels. This proposal is anticipated to come into effect by April 1, 1987 and does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority
Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact
This action will provide a guarantee of available groundfish stocks for vessels adjacent to the resource, thereby enhancing Eastern Nova Scotia and Southwestern Newfoundland groundfish fisheries. However, restrictions on current activities of vessels from outside these areas will occur, most notably from Divison 4X (Southwest Nova Scotia), where great resistance will be voiced. It is estimated, for example, that in 1986, 30 per cent of fish processed in Southwest Nova Scotia will come from Eastern Nova Scotia.

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Title of Proposal **324 DFO - B 87**
324. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, amendment, Establishment of a trip limit for by-catch of a prohibited species of groundfish in Divisions 4R, 4S, 4T, 3P and 3N for Class A and C vessels.

Description
On numerous occasions in the past during glut situations, both at the request of industry and to prevent quota over-runs, it has been necessary to restrict the amount of fish that can be landed during any one trip in order to slow down the pace of this fishery. The regulatory authority to do this at the Regional Director-General's level has existed for certain NAFO Divisions for a number of years. In order to provide this same management flexibility in other areas, this proposal would amend subsection 88(2) of the Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, to include Divisions 4R, 4S, 4T, 3P and 3N. This

proposal is required prior to the implementation of the 1987 Atlantic Groundfish Management Plan of January 1, 1987. This proposal does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority
Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact
Access by individual fishermen using Class A and C vessels would be controlled and would thus permit the orderly harvesting of a certain species of groundfish and permit:

a) better rationalization of operations by processors during glut situations;
b) better control of fishing activity as the quota is approached (prevention of over-runs); and
c) better distribution (or sharing) of landings among participants in the fishery.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
November 1, 1986.

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Title of Proposal **325 DFO - B 87**
325. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, amendment, Salmon Tagging Provision, Newfoundland.

Description
Tagging of salmon in the commercial fishery exists in Atlantic Canada except in Newfoundland. Tags are also an aid in controlling the poaching of salmon. To accomplish this it will be necessary to amend section 85 of the regulations. It is planned to have these changes come into effect by May 1, 1987. This proposal does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority
Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

Commercial salmon fishermen will be required to obtain tags and attach them to each salmon caught. It will eliminate the need for tagging salmon for export to other provinces. Any person obtaining a salmon from this fishery will have to ensure that it bears a tag. The cost in dollars to the department to implement this program is considerable. (This provision will bring consistency for all of the Atlantic region).

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

March 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **326 DFO - B 87**

326. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, amendment. Creation of a co-management snow crab fishing zone and close times for the Quebec Lower North shore and the northwest coast of Newfoundland.

Description

The Minister announced in July, 1986, that snow crab licences would be available to Quebec and Newfoundland fishermen in a new co-management inshore zone in the northern Gulf of St. Lawrence. (The area is bounded by Point Armour, Nameless Point and Table Point, Newfoundland and Monger Island, Quebec.) This new zone must be defined in the Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985 to restrict licence holders to this zone and to enforce a fishing season. This proposal is required to be in effect prior to the start of the 1987 season of June 22, 1987. This does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

Access to and from this zone will be restricted to licence holders. This jointly managed zone will permit Quebec and Newfoundland inshore snow crab fishermen to fish on an equal footing in an exclusive area restricted to the midshore fleet.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

April 22, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **327 DFO - B 87**

327. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, amendment. Creation of two snow crab fishing zones and close times for Prince Edward Island.

Description

The Minister announced in November, 1984 that exploratory snow crab fishing permits for two exclusive inshore zones north and east of Prince Edward Island would be issued. Additional permits were announced by the Minister in March 1986. These two inshore zones must be defined in the Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985 both to restrict permit holders to the zones described and to prevent midshore fishermen from fishing in these zones. This proposal is required to be in effect prior to the start of the next snow crab season of April 1, 1987. This proposal does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

Access to and from these zones will be restricted and will serve to protect the inshore fishery from the midshore and vice versa.

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Title of Proposal **328 DFO - B 87**

328. Newfoundland Fishery Regulations, amendment. Yearly Catch Limit, Catch and Release of Salmon Sports Fishery.

Description

Evidence suggests that an unlimited hook and release program for the salmon angling fishery causes harm to a great number of salmon and has lead to angler overcrowding on some rivers. Current regulations provide for unlimited hook and release of salmon, except after the daily catch limit has been retained. This amendment will reduce the number that can be hooked and released to a number equal to twice the daily bag limit and will establish a yearly catch limit of 15. This proposal is planned to be in effect by May 1, 1987 and does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

This proposal will impact on all salmon anglers in the province by reducing the number of fish they can hook and release. This will have a positive impact on stock conservation and protection.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **329 DFO - B 87**

329. New Brunswick Fishery Regulations, amendment Salmon. Catch and Release of Sport Fishery.

Description

Evidence suggests that an unlimited hook and release program for the salmon angling fishery causes harm to a great number of salmon and has lead to angler overcrowding on some rivers. Current regulations provide for unlimited hook and release of salmon. This amendment will reduce the number which can be hooked and released to four per day. Amendment is required for April 1, 1987. This proposal does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

This proposal will impact on all salmon anglers in the province by reducing the number of fish they can hook and release. This will have a positive impact on stock conservation and protection.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal 330 DFO - B 87

330. Nova Scotia Fishery Regulations, amendment. Catch and Release of Salmon Sports Fishery.

Description

Evidence suggests that an unlimited hook and release program for the salmon angling fishery causes harm to a great number of salmon and has lead to angler overcrowding on some rivers. Current regulations provide for unlimited hook and release of salmon when angling, except after the daily or yearly catch limits have been retained. This amendment will reduce the number of salmon that can be hooked and released to a number equal to twice the daily bag limit. This proposal is planned to be in effect by April 1, 1987 and does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

This proposal will impact on all salmon anglers in the province by reducing the number of fish they can hook and release. This will have a positive impact on stock conservation and protection.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal 331 DFO - B 87

331. Prince Edward Island Fishery Regulations, amendment Salmon.

Description

The amendments will bring the P.E.I. salmon fishery regulations into line with the program of tagging provisions for Eastern Canada. In addition these amendments will introduce a hook and release program similar to that of the other Maritime provinces. This proposal is planned to be in effect by April 1, 1987 and does not include a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

Only group to be affected are the salmon anglers. Because of the poor record of catches over the years, no undue hardship will be placed on this group. The proposal will have a positive impact on stock conservation and protection.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

June 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal 332 DFO - B 87

332. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, amendment. Set a separate meat count in Scallop Fishing Area 21.

Description

Before consolidation of the Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, a meat count of less than what appears in these regulations was adhered to. In the present regulations a meat count appears for scallop fishing area 21 that is considerably higher than what is desired by our departmental officials and the scallop fishermen in area 21.

By amending section 64 of the said regulations a separate meat count will be established for this area. It is necessary to have this amendment in place by April 1, 1987. This proposal will not contain a sunset clause.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

This proposal will impact only on the fishermen in one area but there will be no repercussions as this meat count was in place in the previous set of regulations before the consolidation.

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Title of Proposal **333 DFO - B 87**

333. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, amendment to establish a minimum legal shell height for scallops.

Description

Interest has been expressed by some scallop industry representatives in landing scallops in the whole state for extraction of roes and rims onshore. With the meat count being the essential enforcement tool in this fishery and the sole method of maintaining the TAC and EA quotas, landing of scallops in the whole state could seriously jeopardize that meat count enforcement. There is, however, a scientific correlation between scallop shell height and meat size. By establishing minimum shell height regulations which correlate to the applicable meat counts in the different areas, quota integrity can be maintained for scallops landed in the whole state. This proposal is planned to be effective April 1, 1987 and does not contain a sunset clause.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

There will be economic advantages to industry through the marketing of roes and rims in addition to the scallop meats.

Some adjustments in measuring techniques will be required by enforcement personnel when doing shell height sampling. Minor initial costs for purchasing appropriate gauges to determine shell height will be incurred by the Department.

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Title of Proposal **334 DFO - B 87**

334. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, amendment to adjust the boundary line between Lobster Fishing Areas 32 and 33.

Description

This proposal is in response to a request from the lobster fishermen in Areas 32 and 33. The present boundary does not reflect the historical fishing pattern in these areas. It is proposed to change the location of the boundary line between lobster fishing Areas 32 and 33. This is to be done by amending Schedule XIII. It is planned to have this change come into effect by April 1, 1987. This proposal does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

This change affects only those lobster fishermen fishing in the area of the boundary line. Other than restricting them to fishing in either area, this amendment will have no impact on the fishermen.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **335 DFO - B 87**

335. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, amendment to a) add "Stimpson surf clam" to the list of species to which the regulations apply; and b) establish licensing fees.

Description

Stimpson surf clam are not currently regulated and, therefore, are not protected from over-exploitation. This proposal will establish licensing controls on the newly developing surf clam fishery on the Scotian Shelf, which will ensure proper harvesting and promote conservation. This will be accomplished by a) adding Stimpson surf clam to Shedule I; and b) amending Schedule II to reflect a $30, $200 and $400 licensing fee, depending on vessel size. This regulation change is scheduled to become effective April 1, 1987, and does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

Enhanced industry investment due to regulatory protection of the resource. Introduction of new technology offering additional employment at sea and in support industries ashore.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **336 DFO - B 87**

336. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, amendment. Subdivision of Herring Fishing Area 16.

Description

Method of harvesting stock has led to disproportionate share of the stock going to fishermen in one area while other fishermen receive little or nothing. Propose to identify zones and have separate seasons which will enable all fishermen to have an equal opportunity to harvest resource. Required for April 1, 1987. No sunset provision is to be included in this proposal.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

All sectors of this fishery will benefit from change. Fishermen will be able to plan ahead as will fish processors and workers. Market for herring should be stabilized to a certain degree.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **337 DFO - B 87**

337. Newfoundland Fishery Regulations, amendment. Miawpukek Band Food Fishery.

Description

The Miawpukek Band of the Micmac Indians of Conne River, Newfoundland was granted status in 1984. The band petitioned the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans for an Atlantic salmon food fishery. Regulatory amendments are needed to provide for the licensing of this fishery and the tagging of salmon caught and to restrict the use of the salmon caught for food purposes. It is planned to have these regulations come into effect by June 1, 1987. This proposal will not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

A food fishery in the estuary of the Conne River establishes a new harvesting sector for Atlantic salmon. Salmon taken in this fishery will not be available for harvest in the commercial or recreational fisheries nor will they contribute to spawning. The actual impact on productivity will not be known until detailed biological studies are completed.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **338 DFO - B 87**

338. Prince Edward Island Fishery Regulations, amendment/Trout.

Description

Biological evidence suggests that the trout population in P.E.I. is suffering from overfishing, especially when the daily bag limit of 20 is met by a large percentage of anglers. Amendment will reduce the bag limit to 12 per day. Amendment is required by May 1, 1987. This proposal does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

Trout anglers will be affected but the proposal will ensure more trout will be available for future harvesting.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **339 DFO - B 87**

339. Maritime Fishery Regulations, a rewrite and consolidation of the Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island Fishery Regulations into one set of regulations.

Description

This amendment package will address inconsistencies and duplication as well as potentially ultra vires provisions in the existing Nova Scotia, New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island Fishery Regulations. Elements of all three separate sets of regulations will be combined, edited and uniformly applied in this package proposal. This proposal is planned to come into effect April 1, 1987 and does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

The consolidation of three sets of regulations into a single package will benefit all users including the courts, lawyers, departmental enforcement personnel and, most important, the general public.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **340 DFO - B 87**

340. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, amendment. Restricted otter trawl fishing, Southern Labrador.

Description

Because of recurring gear conflicts involving mobile gear and fixed gear, a section of Southern Labrador is to be made of off-limits to otter trawlers. An amendment is required to Schedule XXXI to the Regulations. This amendment is planned to be in effect by April 1, 1987. This proposal does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

This will alleviate a problem of gear and boat damage to both user groups, thus cutting down the cost of repairs and replacement.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **341 DFO - B 87**

341. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, amendment. Foreign Vessel Fishing Regulations, amendment. Restricted Otter Trawl Fishing, Cabot Island - Funk Island, Newfoundland.

Description
Increased use of fixed fishing gear on the Funk Island Banks, Newfoundland, has resulted in numerous complaints/protests from inshore fishermen regarding interference from large draggers (domestic and foreign) using otter trawls. There has been loss of and damage to fixed gear. It is proposed to extend the boundaries of the existing area off Cabot Island - Funk Island in which otter trawl fishing is prohibited. To effect this change it will be necessary to amend coordinates in Schedule XXXI to the Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985 and in Schedule V to the Foreign Vessel Fishing Regulations. This restricted area is the same in both regulations. It is planned to have these changes come into effect by June 1, 1987. This proposal will not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority
Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact
The geographical extension being proposed does not encompass a large area in relation to the existing closed areas and would have minimal/negligible effect on either the domestic or foreign fishing fleets which have operated in the area during the past.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
April 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **342 DFO - B 87**

342. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, amendment, Lobster fishing/Mobile Gear.

Description

Fishermen licensed for scallop and lobster fishing are not, by the present regulations, allowed to have on board scallop drags while they are tending their lobster traps. This creates an unnecessary economic hardship to these fishermen. An amendment to section 61 of the said regulations for an exemption in specific areas is requested to be in effect by April 1, 1987. This proposal does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

Will alleviate hardships imposed by present regulations, thereby enabling area fishermen to maximize profits and create higher cash flow.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **343 DFO - B 87**

343. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, amendment. Cod Traps/ Close Times.

Description

Presently there is no season for cod trap fishermen along the western shore of Newfoundland and Souther Labrador. Each year, thousands of salmon are caught and retained by these fishermen. By setting up a close time, these operators will have to adhere to a very easily enforceable regulation. Implementation is planned for May 1987. This proposal does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

Cod trap fishermen will be affected but not adversely as a trial project had been conducted in the specific area the previous two years. Project could have continued on a voluntary basis had all the cod trap fishermen adhered.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal 344 DFO - B 87

344. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, amendment to remove Lobster Fishing Areas 37 and 39 from the regulations.

Description

During the consolidation process which resulted in passge of the Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, no agreed to solution was arrived at for the lobster boundary lines between Grand Manan and the southern coast of New Brunswick and the Digby shore of Nova Scotia. Consequently, regulations were adopted which created a "buffer zone" effect in the disputed areas so that fishermen from the three affected areas could continue in their traditional fishing patterns until a long-term regulated solution, agreed to by all concerned, could be reached. Discontent with the "buffer zone" areas has been expressed by fishermen and an equitable expansion of the boundaries of the three immediately adjacent Lobster Fishing Areas 34, 36 and 38, to include the waters enclosed by Areas 37 and 39, is the long-term required solution. This proposal is planned to be effective April 1, 1987 and does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

An equitably developed regulation will result in minimal disruption to fishermen's historical fishing patterns and minimal or no financial loss.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

March 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **345 DFO - B 87**

345. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, amendment respecting "registered length" definition for fishing vessels.

Description

Establishment of a definition for "registered length" will eliminate the requirement for expert witness testimony in certain court proceedings under section 106. This amendment is planned to come into effect on April 1, 1987 and does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

No negative impact anticipated. Reduced costs and time savings will result where court proceedings are instituted.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

March 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **346 DFO - B 87**

346. Newfoundland Fishery Regulations, amendment. Tie-up Char and Trout Nets.

Description

Existing regulations require char and trout nets to be rendered inoperative from 24:00 hours on Saturday to 24:00 hours on Sunday and salmon nets from 18:00 hours on Saturday to 18:00 hours on Sunday. The intent is to have the char and trout period coincide with the salmon period. This can be accomplished by amending section 80 of the regulations. It is planned to have this amendment come into effect by May 15, 1987. This proposal does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

This regulation impacts only on the commercial char and trout fishery in Labrador as there is no such fishery anywhere else in the province. The requirement to render nets inoperative for a 24-hour period is not new and the change will not substantially affect existing management, conservation, or enforcement measures.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
April 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **347 DFO - B 87**

347. Newfoundland Fishery Regulations, amendment. Salmon and Cod Fishery Areas.

Description

This proposal is in response to requests received in the form of petitions from fishermen to establish the following Fishery Areas in Newfoundland: Salmon Fishery Area - "Deep Bay Area"; Cod Fishery Areas - "Joe Batt's Arm, Barr'd Island and Shoal Bay Area", "New Bonaventure Area", "Seldom, Little Seldom and Stag Harbour Area", "St. Anthony Bight Area", and "Tilting Area". These areas relate to persons fishing for salmon with gill nets and trap nets and for cod with cod traps. The Salmon Fishery Area is to be added to Schedule IX and the Cod Fishery Areas to Schedule IX. It is planned to have these areas in effect by April 1, 1987. This proposal does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

This proposal impacts only on the fishermen fishing within an area. These fishermen through their local fishing committee are able to deal directly with the department on management and enforcement matters in their area. These areas serve a significant and important role in reducing conflict over gear spacing.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
March 1, 1987.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **348 DFO - B 87**

348. Seal Protection Regulations, an amendment to revise those licensing provisions respecting eligibility criteria.

Description

The present regulations are too restrictive in that no provisions exist for new entrants. This was not the intent and, for proper prosecution of this fishery, new entrants will be required in the near future. This proposal is planned to come into effect on April 1, 1987 and does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

The present regulations are too restrictive in that no provisions exist for new entrants. This was not the intent and, for proper prosecution of this fishery, new entrants will be required in the near future. Through time, without the introduction of the proposed provisions for new entrants into the seal fisheries, no one will quality for a licence to engage in sealing under the existing regulations.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

March 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **349 DFO - B 87**

349. Atlantic Fishing Regulations, 1985, amendment. Establishment of a close time only for vessels based outside Sector 2 (sector overlap).

Description

Following the development of an enterprise allocation system for Class C vessels based in Divisions 4RS3Pn and a separate sector overlap quota for vessels based outside these divisions, a separate close time for each fleet component became necessary to terminate fishing activity when one or the other reached their quota. This proposal would effectively separate the two fleet components and permit the closure of one when its quota was attained but would not affect the other. This proposal is required prior to the start of the winter fishery of February 1, 1987. This proposal does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

Access to fishery by a fleet component whose quota when reached can be restricted without interference with another fleet component which still would have a portion of its quota remaining. This proposal would formalize in a legal sense a portion of the Atlantic Groundfish Management Plan which has been in place since 1982.

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Title of Proposal **350 DFO - B 87**

350. Amendment to the Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985 - parts of crab separated from the carapace.

Description

The current regulations do not prohibit the possession of parts of crab separated from the carapace. It is therefore impossible to apply the present provision covering minimum width requirements and that of prohibiting the possession of female crabs.

An amendment would eliminate the present problem. It is anticipated that this amendment will come into effect in April 1987, with no sunset provision.

Statutory Authority
Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact
None, since the purpose of the amendment is to rectify a shortcoming in the regulations which has not yet been exploited.

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ROUTINE INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **351 DFO - C 87**
351. Foreign Vessel Fishing Regulations, amendment to correct an error in co-ordinates defining "White Head Hole".

Description
This proposal provides for the correction of co-ordinate errors in the White Head Hole closure. This amendment is planned to come into effect on April 1, 1987 and does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority
Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact
No negative impact as this simply corrects an error.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
March 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **352 DFO - C 87**
352. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, amendment to substitute the words "registered length" for "overall length" in items 1 and 2 of Schedule XXXI.

Description

This proposal corrects an error in the current regulations which has the effect of eliminating legal access by a number of vessels to their traditional fishing grounds. This amendment is planned to come into effect on April 1, 1987 and does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

No negative impact as this simply corrects an error.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

March 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **353 DFO - C 87**

353. Amendment to the Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985 - class of vessel.

Description

"Class T vessel" is registered in the name of Société Pêcheries Cartier Ltée. This company no longer exists and should be replaced by the new firm Pêches Nordiques Inc.

A "Class W vessel" is required for the new firm Fruits de Mer de l'Est du Québec.

These amendments will make it possible to modify the close times of the above-mentioned classes of vessel once they have attained their respective quotas.

This amendment will be made by modifying sections 2 and 89 and Schedule XXIII.

It is anticipated that this amendment will come into effect in February 1987, with no sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

None, since the purpose of the amendment is to identify a class of vessel that was not included in the 1985 consolidation. It is not a question of issuing new licences.

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Title of Proposal **354 DFO - C 87**

354. Amendment to the Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985 - translation errors in the French version.

Description

The amendments are designed to make the French version consistent with the English.

a) Subsection 2(3) - change the word "transformation" to "traitement" so that the definition of the terms "processing" and "traitement" contained in the Fish Inspection Act, c F-12 can be used, thereby eliminating any ambiguity.

b) Subsection 88(2) - eliminate the term "fortuitement" to make the French version consistent with the English.

c) Section 93 - replace the words "à plus" with "à moins" to make the French version consistent with the English.

These amendments will be made by modifying sections 2, 88 and 93 of the regulations and will come into effect on April 1, 1987, with no sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

The only anticipated impact is that the correction of these errors will eliminate all ambiguity in the application of the regulations.

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Title of Proposal **355 DFO - C 87**

355. Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985 - To correct errors in the co-ordinates of "Cape North", "White Head Hole" and "Silver Hake Box" as well as the descriptions of "Banc de Sept-Îles" and "Baie de Gaspé area".

Description

This proposal provides for the correction of co-ordinate errors in the descriptions of "Cape North", "White Head Hole" and "Silver Hake Box". There are also several ambiguities in the geographic descriptions of "Banc de Sept-Îles" and "Baie de Gaspé area". These amendments will rectify that problem by referring to specific co-ordinates when describing these areas.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

No impact on fishermen, strengthens ability to enforce intent of regulations.

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PACIFIC AND FRESHWATER FISHERIES

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **356 DFO - A 87**

356. British Columbia Fishing Licence Fee Increases (Pacific Fishery Regulations, 1984 and B.C. Sport Fishing Regulations).

Description

To generate revenues for partially financing the Salmonid Enhancement Program (SEP), it is proposed to double B.C. commercial salmon licence fees as of January 1, 1987, and to increase B.C. tidal water anglers' licence fees as of April 1, 1987. SEP currently provides 14 per cent of the salmon catch (21 per cent by value) in the commercial and sport fisheries. Beneficiaries from SEP are being called upon to share in its financing.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.8.

Anticipated Impact

Roughly $4.3 million in additional annual revenues will be generated through the licence fee increases ($1.8 million from the commercial salmon fishery and $2.8 million from tidal water anglers). The increase in commercial salmon licence fees will raise average fishing expenses for the B.C. salmon fishing fleet by 1 per cent and will have a negligible impact on prices to Canadian consumers. The increase in tidal water anglers' licence fees will raise the annual resident licence from $5 to $13 (parity with the provincial sportfishing licence) and the annual non-resident licence from $20 to $50. DFO has estimated that the net present value of $1 in SEP financing is $1.35 in future benefits to user groups from enhanced stocks and improved fishing opportunities.

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Title of Proposal **357 DFO - A 87**

357. Amendments with respect to the International Pacific Halibut Regulations.

Description

a) A series of amendments to provide a more effective method of implementing the decisions of the International Pacific Halibut Commission. It will entail revocation of the International Pacific Halibut Regulations and the Canadian Pacific Halibut Regulations along with amendments to the B.C. Fishery (General) Regulations and the B.C. Sport Fishing Regulations.

b) Amendments as needed to implement the 1987 decisions of the International Pacific Halibut Commission.

They are exected to come into effect in time for the 1987 halibut fishery. They do not include a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.14, and Northern Pacific Halibut Convention Act, R.S.C. 1970, C. F-17, s.4.

Anticipated Impact

a) These changes will have the positive effect of permitting the International Pacific Halibut Commission decisions with respect to halibut openings and closings to be made with fewer annual regulatory changes.

b) If needed, these amendments will allow for the orderly management of the halibut fishery.

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MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **358 DFO - B 87**
358. British Columbia Sport Fishing Regulations, amendment.

Description

There now exists an annual bag limit on Kootenay Lake of five rainbow trout over 40 cm in length. It is proposed to increase that size limit to 50 cm.

This is in response to a request to enhance fishing opportunities for rainbow trout.

This is expected to come into effect in the spring of 1987. It does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority
Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

As the regulation restricts the number of fish over the minimum size limit, it will allow increased fishing on the smaller fish. The resource is strong enough to permit this fishing.

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Title of Proposal **359 DFO - B 87**
359. British Columbia Sport Fishing Regulations, amendment.

Description

Schedule IV and VI are amalgamated into one Shedule IV which now incorporates a new close time column. Section 55 is reworded to accommodate the new Schedule IV. Paragraph 10(h) and 13(2)(b) are amended to include an additional word for clarity. Sections 59 and 60 are revoked and included in amendments to Schedule V.

"Kokanee" is deleted from Section 58 and the words "except hair, fur and feathers" are added to Section 71 to remove some ambilguity in the present wording.

All of these are considered minor "housekeeping" changes to remove some confusion in the present wording.

They are expected to come into effect in the spring of 1987. The amendments do not include a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority
Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact
There is little change in the present management plans. Nearly all changes are for ease of reading and clarity. One less schedule will be needed.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **360 DFO - B 87**
360. British Columbia Sport Fishing Regulations, amendment.

Description
This proposal will establish a quota of two chinook per day in Area 9 (Rivers Inlet).

This quota is now in effect from July 15 to September 15. It is to be expanded to include the entire year. Increased fishing pressure over an increasing period of time has necessitated this form of protection throughout the total period of chinook fishing. In particular it is designed to protect diminishing stocks particularly in the Chuckwalla and Kilbella Rivers. With more fishing camps and improved transportation, fishing pressure has incrased considerably in these areas over the past few years.

This is expected to come into effect in the spring of 1987. It will not include a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority
Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact
The overall impact is expected to be positive. Although this may reduce catches for some fishermen, it is expected

that even reduced catch will provide trophy fishing as the salmon are larger and very much in demand. This is also consistent with the quotas in other heavily fished areas.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal 361 DFO - B 87

361. Northwest Territories Fishery Regulations, Mosquito Creek sport fishery.

Description

There is an extensive sport fishery on the Mosquito Creek spring spawning run of walleye. Assessment of upstream migration, current catch and escapement indicates an over-exploited fishery.

Pending completion of analysis of last spring's assessment of the fishery, reduced catch and possession limits, a short open season or a complete closure of the fishery for one or two years may be required as a conservation measure.

These amendments are expected to come into effect in April 1987 and will be subject to ongoing review.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

Depending on the measure chosen, the regulation may impose costs on local sports fishermen who might be displaced to more distant fishing areas or might be unable to find suitable replacement areas. The measure having the least impact while ensuring conservation and rebuilding of the harvested stock will be selected.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **362 DFO - B 87**

362. Amendments to the Pacific Commercial Salmon Fishery Regulations.

Description

One amendment would permit troller-gillnet vessels to carry extra nets on vessels while trolling so long as there is no net on the drum of the boat; another will prevent trollers from carrying more than one line on each gurdie. This is expected to come into effect in the spring of 1987. It does not include a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

The first, which was requested by the industry, has the positive effect of easing regulation. The second is intended to clarify the intent of existing regulation. Therefore, its impact should be positive.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **363 DFO - B 87**

363. Amendments to the Pacific Commercial Salmon Fishery Regulations.

Description

Amendments may be needed in the spring to implement the 1987 Salmon Management Plans determined in consultation with industry, or to meet international treaty obligations.

These would be needed in time for the 1987 salmon season. A sunset provision is not included.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

The proposed amendments would be based on consultation and on conservation or management needs and would thus be designed to improve the fishery.

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Title of Proposal **364 DFO - B 87**

364. Northwest Territories Fishery Regulations, minimum size limit.

Description

There is an intensive sport fishery on the Hay River for walleye. The present catch and possession limits are five and ten. Large numbers of small immature fish are being retained.

Assessment of the fishery has taken place over the past three years. Recommendations on size limits are being prepared and will include amendments imposing minimum size limits.

These amendments are expected to come into effect in the spring of 1987 and will not include a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

The proposed minimum size limits would prevent the removal of immature fish and ensure maintenance of a healthy stock to support the sport fishery. The proposal would impose no economic or social costs on the fishermen involved.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **365 DFO - B 87**

365. Amendment to the Walrus Protection Regulations.

Description

It is proposed to establish in the Schedule of the Walrus Regulations a settlement hunting area quota for the Hall Beach area by April 1987. The amendment is expected to come into effect in April 1987. It will not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

The amendment will help to ensure conservation of the harvested stock and facilitate efficient allocation of available resources.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

February 1987.

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Title of Proposal **366 DFO - B 87**

366. Amendment to the Northwest Territories Fishery Regulations.

Description

It is proposed to amend the Northwest Territories Fishery Regulations to provide relevant commercial and sport fishing licences at no cost to beneficiaries of the Inuvialuit Final Agreement and to allow sale of domestic (subsistence) fish caught by beneficiaries of the Inuvialuit Final Agreement to other beneficiaries. This amendment is planned to come into effect early in 1987. It will not contain a sunset provision.

The amendments will meet a requirement that the Northwest Territories Fishery Regulations conform to the provisions of the Inuvialuit Final Agreement which settles land claims in the Western Arctic and which allows beneficiaries of the agreement to engage in fishing without payment of licence fees and permits the sale, trade or barter of fish caught in domestic or subsistence fisheries to other Inuvialuit.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34(c)(f).

Anticipated Impact

This amendment will contribute to the settlement of land claims in the Western Arctic. Licence revenues will decline a very small amount. De-regulation of the sale of subsistence-caught fish among Inuvialuit may provide a mild stimulus to the local economy. Monitoring of harvests for conservation purposes will be instituted under other provisions of the Inuvialuit Final Agreement.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **367 DFO - B 87**
367. Amendment to the Yukon Territory Fishery Regulations.

Description
It is proposed to amend the Yukon Territory Fishery Regulations to provide relevant commercial and sport fishing licences at no cost to beneficiaries of the Inuvialuit Final Agreement and to allow sale of domestic (subsistence) fish caught by beneficiaries of the Inuvialuit Final Agreement to other beneficiaries.

The amendments meet the requirement that the Yukon Territory Fishery Regulations conform to the provisions of the Inuvialuit Final Agreement which settles land claims in the Western Arctic and which allows beneficiaries of the agreement to engage in fishing without payment of licence fees and permits the sale, trade or barter of fish caught in domestic or subsistence fisheries to other Inuvialuit.

The amendment is expected to come into effect in early 1987. It will not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority
Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34(c)(f).

Anticipated Impact
The amendments will contribute to the settlement of land claims in the Western Arctic. Licence revenues will decline a very small amount. Deregulation of the sale of subsistence-caught fish among Inuvialuit may provide a mild stimulus to the local economy. Monitoring of harvests for conservation purposes will be instituted under other provisions of the Inuvialuit Final Agreement.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **368 DFO - B 87**
368. Amendment to the Beluga Protection Regulations.

Description

It is proposed that "beneficiaries of the Inuvialuit Final Agreement" will be specifically included in regulations. As a result, sale, trade or barter between Inuvialuit (regardless of residence) will be permitted and there will be no restriction on the possession or transportation of beluga across jurisdictional boundaries within the Inuvialuit Settlement Region.

Provision will be made for the export of beluga for personal use and for scientific or education purposes.

The amendment is expected to come into effect in early 1987. It will not contain a sunset provision.

These amendments meet the requirement that the Beluga Protection Regulations conform to the provisions of the Inuvialuit Final Agreement which settles land claims in the Western Arctic.

The Inuvialuit Final Agrement allows beneficiaries of the agreement to sell, trade or barter beluga to other Inuvialuit regardless of residence, allows beneficiaries to sell, trade or barter non-edible parts of beluga to any person, and permits beneficiaries to possess and transport beluga across jurisdictional boundaries between the Yukon and the N.W.T. (Inuvialuit Settlement Region).

The amendments will also respond to requests from Eastern Arctic Hunters and Trappers Associations to allow limited amount of muktuk or meat to be sent outside the N.W.T. to friends and relatives. Tourists occasionally purchase small amounts of muktuk as a novelty.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34(a)(b)(c).

Anticipated Impact

The amendments will contribute to the settlement of land claims in the Western Arctic. Deregulations of sale of beluga products and provision for controlled export of products may provide some stimulus to the local economy. Conservation of beluga stocks will be assured through monitoring and control mechanisms established under the Inuvialuit Final Agreement.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

December 1986.

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Title of Proposal **369 DFO - B 87**

369. Amendments to the B.C. Fishery (General) Regulations.

Description

These amendments are all of a corrective nature to meet evidentiary problems and to correct errors in wording or application. Included is an amendment to shorten the pollock roe export season. This is expected to come into effect in the spring of 1987. No sunset provision is included.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

These amendments are expected to have a positive impact in that they serve to clarify or correct the intent of existing regulations. The shorter pollock roe export period should also have a positive impact in that the quality of roe begins to deteriorate at the end of the existing period. While the shorter period may prevent some export sales, it should result in a better overall product, leading to higher prices.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **370 DFO - B 87**

370. British Columbia Fishery (General) Regulations.

Description

New regulation to prohibit the use of chemicals as an aid in catching fish. There have been discussions in the herring industry enquiring about the use of CUSO4 (copper sulphate) to colour the water and act as a barrier to fish, preventing them from escaping from a net. The use of chemicals can potentially kill fish or foul the bottom. This is expected to come into effect in time for the 1987 herring seasons. It does not include a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

This amendment is a conservation measure to prevent future use of a new technology that could harm the fish resource.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

December 1, 1986.

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Title of Proposal **371 DFO - B 87**

371. Amendments to B.C. Fishery (General) Regulations.

Description

This will require fishermen to provide catch records of groundfish landed in U.S. ports. This is expected to come into effect in the spring of 1987. The amendment does not include a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

More record keeping will be required. However, the information will enhance the ability of the department to manage quotas and is therefore in aid of conservation and proper management of the groundfish fishery.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **372 DFO - B 87**

372. Amendments to the B.C. Fishery (General) Regulations.

Description

Amendments to implement a Sablefish Management Plan based on consultation with the Sablefish Advisory Committee and sablefish fishermen are expected in the fall. The amendments are expected to come into effect in time for the 1987 sablefish season. They will not include a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority
Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact
Discussions with the sablefish industry have indicated a need for an improved management plan for this fishery. Although the thrust of the proposed plan is not known at this time, amendments are needed to improve the management of this fishery.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
January 1987.

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Title of Proposal 373 DFO - B 87
373. Northwest Territories Fishery Regulations, reduced catch limit for Arctic char on Coppermine River.

Description
Increasing pressure on the Arctic char sport fishery on the upper Coppermine River has resulted in concern for maintaining a high quality sport fishery. The area is now being fished regularly by two outfitters' lodges. As a result, a reduction in the catch and possession limits above Bloody Falls from the current four and seven to two (catch) and two (possession) is proposed. The amendments are expected to come into effect in April 1987. The limits will be subject to ongoing review.

Statutory Authority
Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact
The proposed amendment will ensure maintenance of the exploited stock and of angling quality at a level necessary for continuing use by lodge outfitters. Reduction in catch and possession limits is not anticipated to have any negative impact on these operations.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
February 1987.

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Title of Proposal **374 DFO - B 87**
374. Pacific Shellfish Regulations amendment.

Description

This is a proposal to close sub-area 19-6 to commercial fishing for crabs. This area is not closed by Public Notice. Since this is a permanent closure, it is more appropriate that it be done by regulation than by Public Notice.

This is expected to come into effect in the spring of 1987. It does not include a sunset clause.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

This will remove the administrative task of annually posting Public Notices. Fishing practices will not be affected as this area has been permanently closed for many years.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

February 1987.

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Title of Proposal **375 DFO - B 87**
375. Pacific Shellfish Regulations, amendment.

Description

This is a proposal to remove gear restrictions in certain crab fishing areas.

This regulation, in place for one year, was reviewed and found to be working an additional hardship on fishermen in a more or less isolated area (Douglas Channel). It did not increase stocks of fish nor prevent interference with recreational fishermen. It also placed an additional burden on enforcement personnel.

This is expected to come into effect in the spring of 1987. It does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

This will improve the fishing ability of the commercial fishermen and is consistent with conservation of the resource. Therefore, the impact will be positive.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **376 DFO - B 87**

376. Amendments to the Northwest Territories Fishery Regulations.

Description

In order to reduce cullage and provide much more efficient use of the sea-run Arctic char resource, an amendment allowing weirs to be used in the commercial fishery for sea-run Arctic char in the Northwest Territories is proposed. This commercial fishery is now restricted to gillnet gear. Because of the remoteness of the areas involved, this is not the best method of fishing since transportation delays result in poor product quality and loss of fish.

The proposal is expected to come into effect in April 1987 and will not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

The amendment should provide stimulus to the economies of many isolated northern settlements through improving returns from sea-run Arctic char fisheries. The amendment should also improve management and conservation of these stocks through improved stock assessment.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

February 1987.

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Title of Proposal **377 DFO - B 87**

377. Beluga Protection Regulations, Cumberland Sound quota.

Description

The beluga whale population entering Cumberland Sound and Clearwater Fiord has been heavily exploited by Inuit hunters and, historically, by commercial whalers. Assessment work by DFO. assisted by Pangnirtung hunters, indicates a gradual decline in population numbers.

There is an annual quota of forty animals for Cumberland Sound. DFO is currently considering reducing the annual quota and establishing quota for Frobisher Bay and Lake Harbour hunters, who may be exploiting the same stock, in consultation with the industry.

If a reduction is required, it would be planned to come into effect for April 1987. It would be subject to ongoing review.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

Reduction of the Cumberland Sound beluga quotas would cause some hardship among the local Inuit who depend upon the beluga for food and maintenance of cultural traditions. A reduction will be considered only if necessary for conservation of the stock. Future benefits from maintenance and rebuilding of the stock would exceed any current costs associated with quota reduction.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

February 1987.

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Title of Proposal **378 DFO - B 87**

378. Walrus Protection Regulations, records of transactions in walrus products.

Description

An essential element of effective management of fish and marine mammal resources is obtaining accurate records of harvests. The current Walrus Protection Regulations require the keeping of records of all transaction involving trade and barter of hides and tusks, but the regulations apply only to activities within the Northwest Territories. It is proposed to extend this record-keeping requirement to all who trade or barter walrus.

This amendment is expected to come into effect in the spring of 1987. It does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34(a)(b)(c).

Anticipated Impact

The proposal may marginally increase the paperwork burden of a small number of traders. This increased regulatory burden is justified by increased certainty of conservation of this valuable resource through better monitoring of the harvest and detection of illegal harvesting.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **379 DFO - B 87**

379. Amendments to BC Fishery (General) Regulations.

Description

These are generally corrective amendments designed to clarify existing regulations. They also include a new regulation proposed by the British Columbia for the protection of steelhead and a regulation placing a quota on ling cod and one prohibiting fishing within 50 metres of a fish enhancement facility located on a stream. They are expected to come into effect by the spring of 1987. They do not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

There is a conservation measure designed to safeguard a fishery resource before damage has been inflicted. Fishermen will not be immediately affected as they are not yet generally catching more than 500 tonnes of ling cod. The other amendments are also expected to have a positive impact in that the amended regulations will be clear and correct.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **380 DFO - B 87**
380. British Columbia Fishery (General) Regulations amendment.

Description
It is proposed to revoke Schedule V, Fishing Log Information and replace it with log information that conforms to information required from the British Columbia Hake Consortium Co-operative Fishery. The present log information required in the schedule is neither needed nor used and some requirements are somewhat vague. The new log information lists plainly all the information required. This was requested by the Department of Justice to remove any vagueness and to require only necessary information. This is expected to come into effect in the spring of 1987. It does not include a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority
Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact
This will impact positively on fishermen as it will ask for less (although more precise) information.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
February 1987.

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Title of Proposal **381 DFO - B 87**
381. An amendment to the Narwhal Protection Regulations.

Description
It is proposed that persons trading or bartering narwhal be required to maintain records of these transactions to permit effective management of fish and marine mammal resources through accurate records of harvests.

The new regulation is expected to come into effect in early 1987. It will not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority
Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34(a)(b)(c).

Anticipated Impact
The proposal may marginally increase the paperwork burden of a small number of small scale traders. This increased regulatory burden is justified by increased certainty of conservation of this valuable resource through better monitoring of the harvest and detection of illegal harvesting.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **382 DFO - B 87**

382. An amendment to the Northwest Territories Fishery Regulations.

Description
It is proposed that existing wastage prohibitions be extended to non-native fishermen. Wastage of fish from all types of fishing is considered a serious offence. In the current Northwest Territories Regulations, prohibitions on wastage are specific for commercial fishermen, sport fishermen and for native domestic fishermen. There are no wastage prohibitions for non-native domestic fishermen. This is becoming a problem, particularly in the Western District.

Statutory Authority
Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.24(a)(b).

Anticipated Impact
The proposed amendment will impose a very small labour cost on non-native fishermen. The measure will increase equity in the regulation of different categories of fishermen and will help ensure efficient use of fishery resources.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **383 DFO - B 87**

383. Amendments to the British Columbia Fishery (General) Regulations.

Description

a) Open that portion of Sub-area 18-7 southerly of a line from Separation Point on Vancouver Island to Musgrave Point on Saltspring Island, to allow net fishing for salmon only.

This is required to allow salmon net fishing to intercept salmon returning to the Cowichan River in waters closer to the mouth. Those waters are presently closed by regulation to net fishing.

b) Amend the transplant provisions in Section 30 and 31 to create a committee to assist the Minister in considering and processing the incoming number of permits, to include aquatic invertebrates, exempt shellfish or crustaceans imported for sale, exclude crayfish from waters of B.C. or Koi Carp destined for indoor tanks, exclude shellfish and marine plants taken from tidal waters of the Province, introduce protection for Salish suckers in the Campbell and Salmon Rivers and the Bertrand, Pepin and Salwein Creeks in the lower Fraser Valley, and to protect Shorthead sculpins from the Flathead River.

This is a rewrite of part of the transplant regulations to better deal with growing concerns about the potential for the spread of disease caused by the transplanting of fish.

These amendments are expected to take effect in the spring of 1987. They do not include a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

Item a) This opens a vital fishery area to net fishing. The proposal has the approval of fishermen, and enhances our management capabilities for that fishery.

Item b) This will provide for improved administrative procedures and also establishes the authority of the transplant committee to regulate transplants.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
February 1987.

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Title of Proposal **384 DFO - B 87**

384. British Columbia Fishery (General) Regulations, amendment to reinstitute a commercial smelt fishing weekly close time in Area 29 by regulation.

Description

A weekly close time for commercial smelt fishermen and sports smelt fishermen was placed in regulations in 1982. This separated the two fisheries and reduced tension between them. In 1984 the commercial regulation was dropped and since then has been managed by Public Notice. This raised questions by the sports fishermen as they could not see the agreed to closure in regulation.

Since the close time for the sports fishery is presently in regulation, the commercial closure is also best done by regulation, as this provides for more effective control of the fisheries. This is expected to come into effect in the spring of 1987.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

The reinstated regulation is expected to provide for better control over the commercial smelt fishery. There should be little impact on fishing practice.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
February 1987.

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Title of Proposal **385 DFO - B 87**

385. Establishment of Northern Canada Seal Protection Regulations.

Description

The current Seal Protection Regulations do not reflect the hunting methods and requirements of the native people in the Canadian Arctic.

The Department of Fisheries and Oceans is developing separate regulations for the Northwest Territories, the Yukon and Northern Quebec to be known as the Northern Canada Seal Protection Regulations.

The proposal is planned to come into effect in April 1987. It will not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14.

Anticipated Impact

The main effect of the regulations will be to provide seal hunters in the Arctic with a short, understandable set of regulations which are relevant to Arctic conditions. Regulatory requirements have been kept to a minimum while providing for conservation of the harvested stock.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

February 1987.

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Title of Proposal **386 DFO - B 87**

386. Pacific Fishery Management Area Regulations.

Description

The following amendments to realign boundaries and facilitate administrative responsibilities are proposed:

a) Rewrite of some six hundred Areas and Sub-areas to institute the system of using degrees of latitude and longitude for all intersections of boundaries instead of named points of land along a shoreline. This is in keeping with the department's initiative to standardize all delimiting of boundaries in regulations.

b) Restructure Sub-areas 29-4, 29-5, 29-6 and 18-1 by amending the east boundary of Sub-area 29-4 to read from "Sand Heads Navigation Light to the apex of the international boundary in the Strait of Georgia, thence to Salamanca Point on Galiano Island". This will affect the boundaries of Sub-areas 29-6 and 18-1; Sub-area 29-5 will be renumbered with an Area 17 number. These amendments will divide the Gulf of Georgia, releasing some of the west side administration and enforcement to District 3 on Vancouver Island from the present District 2 on the mainland.

c) Some new management sub-areas may also be created and extensions and modifications made to other boundaries.

They are expected to come into effect in the spring of 1987. No sunset provision is included.

Statutory Authority
Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact
These amendments serve an important and significant role in reducing confusion or conflict through overlapping jurisdiction. They will improve the enforcement and administration of the fisheries.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
April 1987.

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PROVINCIALLY INITIATED AMENDMENTS

MAJOR INTIATIVES

Title of Proposal **387 DFO - A 87**
387. Alberta Fishery Regulations (AFR) - rewrite.

Description
The existing Alberta Fishery Regulations are being completely rewritten to simplify and modernize fishery regulations for the Province of Alberta. The new regulations will permit the delivery of several new programs and will meet provincial and federal regulatory reform commitments to reduce over-regulation, duplicative regulation and regulation complexity.

The planned gazetting date of this rewrite is January 1, 1987 for implementation on April 1, 1987. No sunset provision is included.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14.

Anticipated Impact

a) Decrease the quantity and complexity of regulations and reduce numbers of required licences.
b) Increase flexibility of fisheries management programs to conserve and protect fish and fish habitat.
c) Permit expanded private sector/commercial undertakings in Alberta fisheries.

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Title of Proposal **388 DFO - A 87**

388. Manitoba Fishery Regulations - total rewrite.

Description

The last major review of the Manitoba Fishery Regulations occurred in 1978. Several minor amendments have occurred since that time. This proposal involves a comprehensive review and adjustment of the Manitoba Fishery Regulations with the objective of ensuring the regulations are straight forward, justified and understandable to the general public while maintaining enforcement integrity.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

The anticipated impact is that the regulations will be made clearer and more understandable to the user public and to the enforcement officers. There are no new initiatives in the amendment. The general intent of the various amended sections of the regulations remains generally the same, however, the wording has been changed.

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Title of Proposal **389 DFO - A 87**

389. Manitoba Fishery Regulations - licensing authority adjustments.

Description

Currently Manitoba's fishery licensing provisions are contained in the Manitoba Fishery Regulations made under the Fisheries Act (Canada). Licensing relates directly to property and civil rights, which is an area of provincial legislative jurisdiction. Manitoba will be enacting an amendment to the Fisheries Act (Manitoba) which will incorporate licensing provisions in this provincial statute. This will require revoking licensing provisions currently in the Manitoba Fishery Regulations.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

This amendment will have no substantive impact on user groups or the public at large as licensing principles will remain the same.

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Title of Proposal **390 DFO - A 87**

390. Saskatchewan Fishery Regulations - total rewrite.

Description

The purpose of the amendment is to update the Saskatchewan Fishery Regulations. The bulk of the amendments consists of housekeeping measures to eliminate unnecessary provisions, and clarify each intent. Three specific items are considered significant:

a) a provision to permit all Canadian senior citizens (65 or over) to angle in Saskatchewan without an angling licence;
b) a provision to restrict harvesting of small size fish in commercial fishing, in an effort to strengthen Saskatchewan enforcement of small mesh net provisions;
c) a schedule to set commercial fishing quotas for individual Saskatchewan lakes, in order to eliminate arbitrariness in making orders for lake closures.

These amendments are required for the opening of the 1987 sport fishing season (May 2, 1987) and do not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14.

Anticipated Impact

The most significant impact of the amendments is to equalize angling licence requirements for Canadian senior citizens, primarily between Manitoba and Saskatchewan thereby providing a more uniform access to the fishery. Clarifying provisions will result in reduced regulation accompanied by a better public understanding of remaining provisions.

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Title of Proposal **391 DFO - A 87**

391. Ontario Fishery Regulations - amendment - resident angling licence.

Description

A general sport fishing licence is not required of residents of Ontario at present. The proposed general licence would be distributed through the existing network of licence issuers and would include privileges now offered under specialized licences as well as access to angling, spearing, dipping and archery. The requirement for specialized licences would be revoked. It has already been announced by the provincial government that this regulatory amendment is to be effective January 1, 1987. This amendment does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

All residents of Ontario will require a licence to sport fish. This requirement is expected to affect resident anglers and fishing licence issuers in Ontario. Provincial authorities recently conducted intensive public consultations, the results of which indicate strong public support for a resident sport-fishing licence.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **392 DFO - A 87**
392. Ontario Fishery Regulations - total rewrite.

Description

The Ontario Fishery Regulations are to be completly rewritten to elimnate unnecessary and outdated provisions, clarify intent, remove inconsistencies and duplications, and simplify and update the regulations. These amendments are anticipated in early 1987 and do not include a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

This proposal, which will result in a decrease in the quantity and complexity of regulations, is regarded by the public at large and the various user groups as a positive and smart step and has been favourably received.

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Title of Proposal **393 DFO - A 87**
393. Quebec Fishery Regulations.

Description

These amendments:
a) revise the definition "Minister" and "resident" and define "Montmorency Forest" (Park) and "wildlife preserve";
b) standardize the names of fish species;
c) authorize the use of bows or crossbows in sport fishing in all waters of the Province except salmon rivers;
d) revise close times for sport fishing;
e) revise catch possession limits for sport fishing;
f) make other changes for the purpose of clarity, consistency and correcting errors.

Items a), b) and f) are revisions that recognize changes in government structure and alterations in administrative boundaries. They also serve to remove ambiguities from certain definitions without changing the subject being defined. Items c), d) and e) are minor changes in conservation measures applying to sport fishing activities. It is planned to have these amendments come into effect by November 1, 1986. This proposal does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority
Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14.

Anticipated Impact
Items a), b) and f) will make it easier for the public to understand and interpret the regulations and items c), d) and e) will result in a more effective management of the resource. Positive economic and social effects will result from these proposed changes.

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MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **394 DFO - B 87**
394. Ontario Fishery Regulations - amendment to size and catch limits on muskellunge.

Description
To achieve the provincial objective of management for high quality muskellunge fisheries based on natural reproduction, a daily catch limit of one fish and minimum size limits have been proposed. This amendment does not include a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority
Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14.

Anticipated Impact
This regulation will reduce the number of muskellunge that may be taken by the angler but is expected to improve trophy fishing for this species in the long run.

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Title of Proposal **395 DFO - B 87**
395. Ontario Fishery Regulations - amendments to fish sanctuaries and fishing seasons.

Description
For the proper management and control of Ontario fisheries, a number of amendments are proposed. These include establishing new fish sanctuaries and changes to fishing seasons. These provisions do not include a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

These amendments have localized impact on fishing in various waters of Ontario.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

September 15, 1986.

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ROUTINE INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal 396 DFO - C 87

396. Ontario Fishery Regulations - description of Valentine River sanctuary and Parry Sound.

Description

Presently the description of the Valentine River sanctuary and Parry Sound are in error. This amendment will correct these errors. No new concepts or major changes are being introduced. No sunset provision is included in this amendment.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

Nil, as these measures correct errors in the present regulations.

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INSPECTION

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal 397 DFO - A 87

397. Fish Inspection Regulations: Good Manufacturing Practices.

Description

This amendment implements the recommendations of the report of the Tuna Standards and Inspection Committee to incorporate in the Fish Inspection Regulations the requirement for Good Manufacturing Practices (GMPs).

Statutory Authority

Fish Inspection Act, c. 118, s.1, sec.3.

Anticipated Impact

There will be some costs to those members of the industry lacking in GMPs but the quality and safety of the product to the consumer would be enhanced.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

April 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **398 DFO - A 87**

398. Fish Inspection Regulations: Quality Control Programming.

Description

It has been recognized that many fish processing companies have difficulty in meeting regulatory requirements due to the lack of a proper quality control program.

Sections 15 & 17 will be amended to require a Quality Control Program as a condition of registration.

Statutory Authority

Fish Inspection Act, c. 118, s.1, sec.3.

Anticipated Impact

There will be some financial costs to some segments of the processing industry to develop and maintain a quality control program. However, the consumer will benefit from more consistent quality products.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

July 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **399 DFO - A 87**

399. Amendments to Fish Inspection Regulations to (i) adopt by reference health and safety requirements of Food and Drugs Act, (ii) codify administrative appeal procedure.

Description

On March 6, 1986, the Minister responsible for Regulatory Affairs announced a series of regulatory reform intiatives, one of which, No. 43, requires Fisheries and Oceans to bring forward regulatory amendments to adopt by reference under their statutes all relevant health and safety regulations under the Food and Drugs Act. Initiative No. 43 also directed that "administrative appeal procedures for individual inspection decisions are to be reviewed and revised as appropriate to ensure real and perceived fairness". Fish Inspection Regulations will be amended to include reference to specific divisions of the Food and Drugs Act and the department's reinspection policy and procedures.

Statutory Authority

Fish Inspection Act, R.S.C. 1970, c.F12 Section 3 and 5.

Anticipated Impact

These changes will benefit the fish processing and importing industry by eliminating confusion as to the regulatory requirements for products imported and processed for sale in Canada. Appeal procedures available to the industry will be spelled out in the regulation, which will reduce the responsibility for administrative discretion and non-uniform application of departmental policy.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

March 15, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **400 DFO - A 87**

400. Fish Inspection Regulations: Cost Recovery for Inspections of Imported Fish Products - fee schedule increase.

Description

This initiative consists of amendments to subsections 6.3(2) and 10.1(1) of the Fish Inspection Regulations to increase fees to be charged for types of inspections and reinspections as set out in the tables.

Statutory Authority

Fish Inspection Act, R.S.C. 1970, Part I, Section 3(g)
Financial Administration Act, Section 13(a).

Anticipated Impact

No increases are being proposed at this time for the annual $100 importer's licence, nor for the $15 inspection service fee for each shipment. The full impact of the fee increase will be on inspection charges levied on products subject to mandatory inspection (i.e. those which have previously failed a type of inspection), on reinspections, and on importer-requested inspection.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **401 DFO - A 87**

401. Fish Inspection Regulations: establishing grades for groundfish at point-of-sale.

Description

This proposal consists of amendments to Part V, Fresh and Frozen Fish, of the Fish Inspection Regulations to permit the grading of groundfish raw material at point-of-sale (dockside).

Statutory Authority

Fish Inspection Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-12, S. 3(a).

Anticipated Impact

As the quality of groundfish finished product depends upon the quality of the raw material, grading groundfish at the time of purchase (dockside) will permit processors to plan production for consistent quality products and maximum economic advantage.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

December 31, 1986.

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Title of Proposal **402 DFO - A 87**
402. Fish Inspection Regulations: Part VIII, Salted Fish.

Description
This proposal consists of amendments to the salted fish general and grade provisions to bring them up to date with today's marketplace, product mix and technical processing reality.

Statutory Authority
Fish Inspection Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-12, s. 3(a).

Anticipated Impact
The changes will benefit the industry by eliminating confusion and permitting the processing and export of salt fish products which meet current market demands but are not currently defined in the Fish Inspection Regulations.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **403 DFO - A 87**
403. Fish Inspection Regulations: Amendments concerning the naming of manufactured fish products which simulate other fish species.

Description
The Fish Inspection Regulations now require all fish species present in a product to be reflected in the common name. Names such as "SIMULATED or ARTIFICIAL or MANUFACTURED (naming the species to be simulated)" will be provided for in the Fish Inspection Regulations.

Statutory Authority
Fish Inspection Act, RS c. 118, s.1 sec.3.

Anticipated Impact
No adverse impact on industry is anticipated. This would facilitate the marketing of new and innovative products such as Kamaboko.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
July 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **404 DFO - A 87**

404. Fish Inspection Regulations: amendments to change the fish content requirements of breaded and battered fish products.

Description

A range for fish content for breaded and battered fish products, except fish and chips, will be specified. Products with a fish content lower than minimum shall be labelled "HEAVILY BREADED or BATTERED". Products with a fish content higher than the maximum may be labelled "LIGHTLY BREADED".

Statutory Authority

Fish Inspection Act, RS c. 118, s.1 sec.3.

Anticipated Impact

This will permit industry to use whatever fish content they wish to use and will provide the consumer with meaningful labelling. At present, products not meeting the standard cannot be sold as no provision for labelling exists. Standards do not exist for many battered and breaded fish products.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

April 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **405 DFO - A 87**

405. Fish Inspection Regulations: labelling exemptions for quality designations on products intended for export from Canada.

Description

It is proposed that the provision for exemption to quality designations be deleted from the regulations and that quality designations in use in other countries be incorporated into Fish Inspection Regulations.

Statutory Authority

Fish Inspection Act, RS c. 118, s.1 sec.3.

Anticipated Impact

No impact on industry is anticipated as exemptions are now being applied for and granted. However, in the case of canned salmon for export, standards would have to be developed for products now being exported with quality designations.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

April 1, 1987.

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MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **406 DFO - B 87**

406. Regulations respecting Toxicity & Contamination in Shellfish.

Description

These regulations consist of an amalgamation of the current Sanitary Control of Shellfish Regulations CRC 1978 C832 and those sections of the New Brunswick, Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island, Quebec and British Columbia regulations dealing with contaminated or toxic shellfish into one comprehensive set of regulations. The amalgamated regulations set out the conditions under which shellfish may be harvested, and define the areas and times in which shellfish harvesting is prohibited.

Statutory Authority

Fish Inspection Act, R.S. c. 118, s.1 sec.34.

Anticipated Impact

These changes will benefit the industry by eliminating confusion and will allow more timely opening and closing of shellfish areas.

Failure to pass the proposed regulations will result in continued confusion and many delays in opening and closing areas to shellfish harvesting. Under the current process, amendments to change the provincial regulations may take from six months to 18 months. This delay could result in placing the shellfish enforcement program and the health of shellfish consumers in jeopardy.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **407 DFO - B 87**

407. Fish Inspection Regulations: Amendments to fresh and frozen lobster meat packaging requirements.

Description

Definitions of net weight, edible content and drained weight will be put in the Fish Inspection Regulations (FIR). The specified can sizes and tolerances for fresh and frozen lobster meats will be deleted to make it possible for industry to use new innovative packaging. Minimum fill will be specified for packing lobster meat.

Statutory Authority

Fish Inspection Act, RS c. 118, s.1 sec.3.

Anticipated Impact

Industry is being granted exemptions under FIR Section 56 now. This change will formalize a practice now in use and will bring the Fish Inspection Requirements into line with Consumer Packaging and Labelling requirements for net content.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

July 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **408 DFO - B 87**

408. Fish Inspection Regulations: requirements for vessels used for fishing or transporting fish.

Description

This initiative consists of amendments to Section 18 and Schedule III of the Fish Inspection Regulations.

The intent of the existing regulations is to provide a minimum standard for the construction, equipment and operation of fishing vessels and vessels transporting fish to ensure that the quality of the catch is maintained. Vessels meeting these minimum standards are certified; any vessel which is not certified can not enter the fishery. The only offence under the present regulations is that of fishing without a valid certification. The enforcement procedure does not, however, deal directly with the failure to meet these minimum standards. This initiative will make noncompliance with these minimum standards a violation in itself.

These amendments will also provide for new handling technologies for various species.

Statutory Authority
Fish Inspection Act, R.S.C. 1970, Part I, Section 3(f).

Anticipated Impact
This initiative is solely an attempt to clarify the enforcement procedure and will have no financial impact on the fishing industry.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
March 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **409 DFO - B 87**
409. Fish Inspection Regulations: amendments to net and drained weight requirements for canned fish and fish products.

Description
A minimum fish content will be required for fish products packaged in water, oil, vegetable broth, brine or pickling solution. A minimum fish content to container capacity will be specified, as is now specified for canned mackerel.

Statutory Authority
Fish Inspection Act, RS c. 118, s.1 sec.3.

Anticipated Impact
Packers of tuna in oil or vegetable broth may object to the drained weight requirement; however, the minimum fish content would stop the practice by overseas packers of packing excessive amounts of oil or vegetable broth in relation to fish content.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
April 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **410 DFO - B 87**

410. Fish Inspection Regulations: consolidation, clarification and renaming of Schedules I and II.

Description

Both Schedules I and II of the Fish Inspection Regulations are presently subdivided into Part I - General and Parts II to V for specific processes. This results in unnecessary duplication which will be removed by consolidation.

Statutory Authority

Fish Inspection Act, RS c. 118, s.1 sec.3.

Anticipated Impact

No impact on industry as there will be no change to the intent of the regulations.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **411 DFO - B 87**

411. Fish Inspection Regulations: amendments to replace the phrases referring to ministerial approval and acceptance.

Description

Replace these phrases with definitive requirements through the Fish Inspection Regulations, for example:

Part IV, Canned Fish, Section 34 now reads:

"Canned fish shall be sterilized by a method approved by the Minister".

It is proposed to revise this to read as follows:

"Canned fish shall be heat processed so as to kill spores of Clostridium botulinum".

Statutory Authority

Fish Inspection Act, RS c. 118, s.1 sec.3.

Anticipated Impact
No adverse impact on industry is anticipated.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
April 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **412 DFO - B 87**

412. Fish Inspection Regulations: amendment to remove can size requirements for chicken haddie and lobster.

Description
The Fish Inspection Regulations provide for three can sizes for lobster and two can sizes for chicken haddie. This regulation is restrictive as it does not provide for new packaging types such as the two-piece can, retortable pouches, and introduction of new packaging technology.

Statutory Authority
Fish Inspection Act, RS c. 118, s.1 sec.3.

Anticipated Impact
No impact on industry is expected. Some exemptions had been granted under 36(2) for imports of chicken haddie.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
April 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **413 DFO - B 87**

413. Fish Inspection Regulations: amendments Referencing Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act.

Description
As the Consumer Packaging and Labelling Regulations (CPL) take precedence over the Fish Inspection Regulations (FIR) for retail packs, it is proposed to make reference to CPL in the FIR. It is also proposed to make the descriptive term and special process requirements for canned fish and fish products applicable to other fish products.

Other amendments will remove conflicts between the Fish Inspection Regulations and Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act.

- FIR now provides for the marking of underweight containers as "Contents ... grams shortweight". This is in conflict with the Consumer Packaging and Labelling Regulations, which forbid this practice, and will be removed.
- The Fish Inspection Regulations now require 3.2 mm as minimum print size for common name, grade, size, class, count and moisture content for fish other than canned fish, and for net content on all fish products. This will be deleted, leaving the minimum size as 1.6 mm as specified in the Consumer Packaging and Labelling Act and Regulations.

Statutory Authority
Fish Inspection Act, RS c. 118, s.1 sec.3.

Anticipated Impact
No adverse impact on industry is anticipated.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
April 1, 1987.

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HABITAT

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **414 DFO - A 87**

414. Regulations respecting deposits of fish toxicants in the inland waters of Alberta, Manitoba, Ontario, Quebec and Saskatchewan.

Description
The proposal is to develop a regulation to allow the named provinces to deposit fish toxicants in fish-bearing waters for the purpose of fisheries management. The proposed regulation will indicate which provincial ministers are authorized to allow such deposits, which fish toxicants are allowed to be deposited and the place, time and conditions of such a deposit. The proposed regulation is required because the current practice of provincial fisheries agencies using fish toxicants may contravene Sections 30 and 31 of the Fisheries Act. The federal

Minister of Fisheries and Oceans must authorize such use. The proposed regulation will allow provincial fisheries agencies to use fish toxicants legally, without having to seek federal approval each time. It will also allow provincial fisheries ministers to authorize private citizens to use fish toxicants on private land. The proposed regulation will come into effect April 1, 1987 and there will be no sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.30, 31.

Anticipated Impact

The proposed regulation could have a positive impact on Canadian society. There will be increased sportfishing opportunities as a result of managed fish stocks in lakes. There will be increased revenue generated in remote areas by sport fishermen who visit these lakes, and spinoff benefits to the entire sporting goods industry. In addition, there will be increased opportunities for entrepreneurs to establish game fish farms on small, stocked ponds or lakes.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 31, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **415 DPO - A 87**

415. Ontario Fish Habitat Management Regulations.

Description

The regulations will enable the Province of Ontario to administer the habitat protection provisions of the Fisheries Act on behalf of the federal government. This is presently not possible because the habitat protection provisions are discretionary and can not be delegated to a provincial minister. The regulation will enable the province to apply its own criteria and standards to protect fish habitat, these being fully consistent with federal requirements. The regulation will come into effect in June or July 1987 and there will be no sunset provision. There will, however, be a periodic review of provincial performance.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970 , c. F-14, s. 34.

Anticipated Impact

There will be significant impacts on Canadian society, both positive and negative. There will be benefits derived from increased recreational and commercial fishing as a reslt of habitat protection and restoration. On the negative side, there will be a stepped-up enforcement of habitat protection and this will affect many businesses and private individuals. It is proposed that any new enterprises that may affect fish habitat receive authorization from the Province to proceed with their work, taking into account habitat protection requirements. This could result in additional costs to the proponent, although these would be reduced if factored in at an early stage.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **416 DFO - A 87**

416. Yukon Fisheries Protection Sediment Discharge Regulation.

Description

This proposed regulation will provide site-specific standards, as recommended by the Task Force on Program Review (Environment), to ensure the protection of Pacific salmon, as called for by international treaty. The proposed regulation will provide protection for fish based on their tolerance to sediment at various life stages and, in addition, will allow a grandfathering of existing placer mining operators on non-salmonid streams for a period of 10 years so that they will have ample opportunity to comply.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.33(13).

Anticipated Impact

There will be positive and negative impacts on Canadians. Canada will be seen as meeting its fish habitat protection obligations under an international salmon treaty, as well as providing legal certainty for mining operations with respect to allowable sediment discharge limits. There will be benefits derived from the increased stability of fish production in Yukon waters for use in commercial and recreational fisheries. On the negative side, there will be increased surveillance and more diligent enforcement required to administer the regulations fairly. To alleviate potential hardship, existing mining operators on non-salmonid streams would be allowed ten years to come into full compliance.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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FOREIGN FISHING

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **417 DFO - A 87**

417. Coastal Fisheries Protection Regulations, amendment to increase 1987 licence fees for foreign vessels fishing in Canadian fisheries waters.

Description
In November of 1984 the Minister of Fisheries and Oceans announced that the department would move towards achieving increased recovery of costs associated with the surveillance of foreign fishing activity in Canadian waters. As a first step it was decided that licence fees for foreign fishing vessels would be increased at a rate of 25 per cent per year for four years, allowing for close to full recovery of surveillance costs by 1988. The costs to be recovered are those which have directly related to the surveillance of foreign fishing activity in Canadian waters (e.g. salaries of fishery officers and ships' crews, air surveillance costs and operational and administrative costs for surveillance, licensing and ships). Foreign licence fees were increased by 25 per cent in 1985 and 1986 and a similar increase is schedule to follow in 1988. It is anticipated that this proposal will come into effect January 1, 1987 and it does not contain a sunset clause.

Statutory Authority
Coastal Fisheries Protection Act, R.S.C. 1970, C.C-21.

Anticipated Impact
No anticipated impact on Canadian fishing industry. This proposal would shift the burden for surveillance costs from the Canadian taxpayer to the foreign fishing parties themselves.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
November 15, 1986.

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Title of Proposal **418 DFO - A 87**

418. The North Pacific Fisheries Convention Regulations, limitation of imports of North Pacific salmon from countries that are not parties to the International Convention for the High Seas Fisheries of the North Pacific Ocean.

Description
This proposal is to amend regulations under the North Pacific Fisheries Convention Act (NPFC) to prevent imports of salmon that were caught in the area delineated by the NPFC from countries that are not party to the NPFC.

Statutory Authority
The North Pacific Fisheries Convention Act.

Anticipated Impact
This amendment would prevent circumvention of Canadian commitments under NPFC to control imports of salmon of Canadian or American origin caught by non members of NPFC in the NPFC area. It will provide added protection for Canadian-origin salmon stocks and provide benefits to processors and fishermen dependent on the salmon resource.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
March 1, 1987.

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MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **419 DFO - B 87**

419. Foreign Vessel Fishing Regulations, amendment to remove, correct or rewrite provisions that are either unnecessary, inconsistent or unclear and which have led to difficulties in their interpretation and enforcement.

Description

Foreign Vessel Fishing Regulations apply only to the fishing activities of foreign vessels fishing within the Canadian 200-mile fishing zone.

This submission is mainly a housekeeping projet. It is designed to remove, correct or rewrite provisions that are either unnecessary, inconsistent or unclear and which have led to difficulties in their inerpretation and enforcement. Introduction of these changes will not result in extra costs to the government or private sector and will have no negative effect on Canadians either economically or socially.

These amendments were originally proposed several years ago and after a two-year development and consultation period with all sectors of the industry were put in final draft form in early 1984.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F.-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact

Introduction of these changes will not result in extra costs to the government or private sector and will have no negative effect on Canadians either economically or socially. The amendment will have a positive benefit on resource conservation and protection.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

March 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **420 DFO - B 87**

420. Amendments to the Coastal Fisheries Protection Regulations.

Description

This will require United States sportfishing charter vessels to be licensed in order to operate in Canadian Pacific Fisheries waters.

This is expected to come into effect in the spring of 1987. It will not include a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Coastal Fisheries Protection Act, R.S.C. 1970, C. s.4.

Anticipated Impact

The licensing requirement will enable the department to maintain control over United States sportfishing charter vessels operating in Canadian waters.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1987.

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OTHERS

MAJOR INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **421 DFO - A 87**

421. Fishing Variation Regulations.

Description

The purpose is to establish a consolidated standard procedure whereby close times, fishing quotas and limits on the size or weight of fish can be varied for an area or portion of an area. This will alow the amendment to the Fisheries Act of June 25, 1985 (Bill C-32) to be implemented. Without the promulgation of these regulations, a whole fishing area would have to be affected by measures taken to protect the resource from a problem that may arise in only a small portion of the area. It will be accomplished by simultaneously revoking the varied yet similar provisions found in the following regulations: Alberta Fishery Regulations, Atlantic Fishery Regulations, 1985, Beluga Protection Regulations, British Columbia Fishery (General) Regulations, British Columbia Sportfishing Regulations, Foreign Vessel Fishing Regulations, Newfoundland Fishing Regulations, New Brunswick Fishery Regulations, Northwest Territories Fishery Regulations, Nova Scotia Fishery Regulations, Ontario Fishery Regulations, Pacific Commerical Salmon Fishery Regulations, Pacific Herring Fishery Regulations, Pacific Shellfish Regulations, Prince Edward Island Fishery Regulations, Quebec Fishery Regulations, Saskatchewan Fishery Regulations, Seal Protection Regulations, Tuna Fishery Regulations, Walrus Protection Regulations and Yukon Territory Fishery Regulations.

It is planned to have these in effect by November 1, 1986. This proposal does not contain a sunset provision although the section of the Act authorizing variation of portions of an area and size or weight limits has a sunset of December 31, 1986.

Statutory Authority
Fisheries Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-14, s.34.

Anticipated Impact
1. More efficient management of the fisheries.
2. Reduction in the numbers of fishermen adversely affected by some resource conservation measures.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
September 15, 1986.

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MINOR OBJECTIVES

Title of Proposal **422 DFO - B 87**

422. Fishing and Recreational Harbours Regulations, amendment. Increase in berthing fees for recreational vessels and commercial vessels (other than commercial fishing vessels) and new fees.

Description

This proposal is a response to concerns expressed by private marina operators and will increase berthing fees for recreational vessels using scheduled harbours throughout Canada, bringing them in line with rates levied by the private marina operators.

As the log salvage vessels contribute to the safety of the fishing and recreational vessels by removing logs floating in the harbours, a special fee will be introduced for the berthing of these vessels. The proposed increases for wharfage and storage also contribute to the simplification of the present rates, and the fees for launching a recreational vessel are in keeping with those levied by the private sector.

The amendments are in keeping with the recommendation of the Nielsen Task Force and the Program and Expenditure Review announced by the Minister of Finance on November 8, 1984.

This proposal does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority
The Fishing and Recreational Harbours Act, R.S.C. 1978, c. 30, s.9.

Anticipated Impact

This amendment impacts mainly on the recreational boater and will eliminate the unfair competition whereby fees for berthing recreational vessels at federal facilities are substantially lower than those levied by the private sector.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

September 11, 1986.

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Title of Proposal **423 DFO - B 87**

423. Fish Health Protection Regulations - amendment to reschedule Bacterial Kidney Disease.

Description

New information has emerged that indicates Bacterial Kidney Disease (BKD) is more widespread than earlier believed. Based on this evidence, BKD would be more appropriately placed in Schedule IV (notifiable disease agents) of the regulations, rather than Schedule II (certifiable disease agents) where it is presently listed. If concensus is achieved to amend the regulations, an Order in Council to amend Schedules II and IV will be prepared. The proposal would come into effect in early 1987. This proposal does not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Fish Health Protection Regulations promulgated under Section 34(b) of the Fisheries Act.

Anticipated Impact

The proposed amendment would allow transfers of stocks, in which BKD had been identified, into Canada and between provinces provided an import permit is issued. Inclusion of BKD in Schedule IV would require mandatory testing for the disease agent during health inspections by highly sensitive techniques, and notification on the Fish Health Certificate if detected. Local fish health officers could use their discretionary powers in deciding whether to issue an import permit for stocks originating from a BKD-infected source. As many as seven trout culture operations (six in Canada and one in USA), including several major seedstock suppliers, might regain certification under Schedule II of the regulations. Cost implications will be minimal, since new sensitive techniques that will be required are already in use.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **424 DFO - B 87**

424. Fishing and Recreational Regulations, amendment - revoking Schedule I to the regulations and substituting a new Schedule I.

Description

This proposal is required to update the list of fishing and recreational harbours by adding those harbours for which the control and administration were transferred from other departments to the Department of Fisheries and Oceans, correcting the location names of scheduled harbours and deleting location names for those harbours which are no longer administered by the Department of Fisheries and Oceans, nor in existence.

Statutory Authority

The Fishing and Recreatonal Harbours Act, R.S.C. 1978, c. 30, s.9.

Anticipated Impact

The amendment will clarify the administrative responsibility of the Department of Fisheries and Oceans with regard to the locations included on the new schedule.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **425 DFO - B 87**

425. Promulgation of new provincial Aquaculture Regulations under the Fisheries Act governing the licensing of commercial aquaculture enterprises in Newfoundland, Nova Scotia, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Quebec and British Columbia.

Description

These will be enabling regulations to provide legal underpinnings for the issuance of licences needed to facilitate implementation of aquaculture agreements between provincial governments and the Department of Fisheries and Oceans under the Fisheries Development Act that have been signed (e.g. Nova Scotia) or are being drafted (e.g. Newfoundland, New Brunswick, Prince Edward Island, Quebec and British Columbia). The regulations enable delegation of authority to the appropriate Minister or named person of a provincial agency to license commercial aquaculture enterprises, and identify the terms and conditions governing issuance of such licences. This proposal does not contain a sunset clause.

Statutory Authority

Fisheries Act, Section 34(b).

Anticipated Impact

Licences for individual aquaculture enterprises will be obtainable from a single contact agency as opposed to the many agencies that must now be approached for approvals. Responsibilities of the Department of Fisheries and Oceans, in terms of conservation and protection of fisheries resources and minimizing the impact of aquaculture operations on these resources, will be addressed through the terms and conditions governing issuance of licences.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Pre-publication of regulations is expected to take place through 1987, as the drafting of each set of provincial regulations is completed.

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STATUTORY AMENDMENTS

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **426 DFO - A 87**
426. Fish Inspection Act.

Description

To give permanent force to one of the Regulatory Programs Reform Initiatives announced in March 1986. The Fish Inspection Act will be amended to remove ministerial discretion over reinspection decisions, i.e., where an inspector's decision has been appealed, the Inspection Service's decision upon reinspection shall be final.

Statutory Authority

N/A.

Anticipated Impact

This measure will ensure the uniformity and objectivity of inspection decisions while maintaining ultimate ministerial accountability for the decisions and operations of the Inspection Service.

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Title of Proposal **427 DFO - A 87**
427. Fisheries Act - amendment.

Description

To give permanent effect to the provision of Bill C-32 which confirm the Minister's power to allocate the resource and increase the on-site management powers of fisheries officers.

Statutory Authority

N/A.

Anticipated Impact

This measure will create no new powers or regulatory activities but would i) clarify and confirm the scope of the management powers that the Minster currently exercises and ii) maintain the capacity to delegate on-site discretionary powrs to fishery officers.

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HEALTH AND WELFARE CANADA

Roles and Responsibilities

The Department of National Health and Welfare was established in 1944 by the Department of National Health and Welfare Act for the purpose of promoting and preserving the health, social security and social welfare of the people of Canada over which the Parliament of Canada has jurisdiction. Since then, advances in the fields of health, social security and social welfare have led to the introduction of a number of new and extensive programs.

Departmental health programs are designed to reduce illness and untimely death of Canadians associated with hazards in the environment, both man-made and natural; to protect and enhance the health of those Canadians whose care, by legislation or custom, is the responsibility of the department; and to develop, promote and support measures designed to preserve and improve the health of Canadians.

Departmental welfare programs are designed to maintain and improve the income security and the social well-being of Canadians.

Six line branches, each headed by an Assistant Deputy Minster, administer the departmental operational programs. Health programs are operated by the Health Protection Branch, the Medical Services Branch and the Health Services and Promotion Branch, and welfare programs by the Income Security Programs Branch and the Social Service Programs Branch. The Fitness and Amateur Sport Branch operates programs to increase the physical activity and fitness of Canadians, and to support the development of high performance amateur sport.

The acts or special regulations administered in whole or in part by the Minister of National Health and Welfare are:

- Department of National Health and Welfare Act
- Food and Drugs Act and Regulations
- Narcotic Control Act and Regulations
- Radiation Emitting Devices Act and Regulations
- Quarantine Act
- Public Works Health Act
- Potable Water Regulations for Common Carriers
- Medical Care Act
- Hospital Insurance and Diagnostic Services Act
- Federal/Provincial Fiscal Arrangements and Established Programs Financing Act, 1977 (EPF Act) and Regulations

- Health Resources Fund Act
- Old Age Security Act
- Canada Pension Plan
- Family Allowances Act, 1973
- Canada Assistance Plan
- Vocational Rehabilitation of Disabled Persons Act
- Nursing Home Care Benefits Regulations
- Young Offenders Agreements
- Fitness and Amateur Sport Act
- Medical Research and Council Act
- Canada Medical Act
- Medical Examination of Seafarers Regulations
- Environmental Contaminants Act
- Hazardous Products Act
- Atomic Energy Control Act and Regulations
- Canada Dangerous Substances Regulations
- Immigration Act, 1976
- Excise Tax Act
- Unemployment Assistance Act
- Divorce Act
- Indian Health Regulations

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **428 HWC - A 87**
428. Low-acid Hermetically Sealed Foods.

Description

The proposal is a modification of the Health Protection Branch position as stated in Information Letter (I.L.) No. 682 (April 26, 1985). The problem is an increasing number of unsatisfactory findings in the examination of low-acid hermetically sealed foods. These unsatisfactory findings relate to under-processing or to improper manufacture or sealing of the container, thus permitting post-process contamination. While representing a small proportion of total volume of low-acid hermetically sealed foods produced, these products of both domestic and imported origin nevertheless present a significant potential health hazard. Also, there is an increasing number of thermally processed low-acid foods packaged in a wide variety of hermetically sealed containers other than cans. The same processing controls are required for these foods as for traditional products.

The proposal is to create a new division of the Food and Drugs Regulations dealing with low-acid hermetically sealed foods; it will have definitive requirements for record keeping and process control. While the concept of "stop-sale" detailed in I.L. No. 682 is being retained, this proposal will specify the criteria for instituting "stop-sale" measures.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27 ss. 25(1).

Anticipated Impact

The impressive safety record of the Canadian food processing industry suggests that the proposal will have minimal impact on the domestic sector. Consumers will be afforded additional protection from imported products coming from unknown or questionable suppliers.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

April 1987.

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Title of Proposal **429 HWC - A 87**

429. Proposed Performance Standard for Infant Incubators.

Description

The proposed regulation to the Medical Devices Regulations establishes performance standards for the safe design, construction, operation and labelling of infant incubators.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, ss. 25(1).

Anticipated Impact

Regulatory Impact Analysis Statement to be furnished with pre-publication in the Canada Gazette Part 1.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

December 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **430 HWC - A 87**

430. Nutrition Labelling and Claims for Foods.

Description

Proposals to amend the Food and Drug Regulations to remove regulatory restrictions on the provision of information on the nutrient content of foods, and to implement nutrition labelling.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drug Act R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, ss. 25(1).

Anticipated Impact

Enable the food industry to provide the consumer with more information on the nutrient content of foods on labels and in advertising.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
May 1987.

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Title of Proposal **431 HWC - A 87**
431. Proposed Regulations for Computed Tomography X-Ray Equipment.

Description
The proposed schedule to the Radiation Emitting Devices Regulations, establishes standards of design and construction and standards of functioning for the safe use and operation of Computed Tomography X-Ray Equipment.

Statutory Authority
Radiation Emitting Devices Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. 34 (1st supp.), ss. 11(1).

Anticipated Impact
Regulatory Impact Analysis Statement to be furnished with publication in the Canada Gazette Part I.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **432 HWC - A 87**
432. Drug Residues in Food.

Description
This amendment allows enforcement action to be taken to prevent the sale of food products containing drug residues, in excess of limits established by the regulations.

Statutory Authority
Food and Drugs Act R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, s.25.

Anticipated Impact

Misuses of drugs in food-producing animals impact on all segments of the food manufacturing industry due to the cost of condemned food. This initiative will lessen that impact by establishing standards for drug residues in food which are in keeping with technological advances in methods of detection.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

July 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **433 HWC - A 87**

433. Proposed Standard for Hospital Cribs.

Description

The proposed schedule to the Medical Devices Regulations establishes regulations for the safe use and construction of hospital cribs, by incorporating safety features from applicable regulations of Consumer and Corporate Affairs and special safety requirements for features found only on hospital cribs.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, ss. 25(1).

Anticipated Impact

Regulatory Impact Analysis Statement to be furnished with pre-publication in the Canada Gazatte Part I.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

September 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **434 HWC - A 87**

434. Proposed Colour Coding of Medical Gas-handling Devices.

Description

The proposed schedule to the Medical Devices Regulations establishes regulations to ensure the safe storage, transmission and use of medical gases by the uniform colour coding of medical gas-handling devices.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, ss. 25(1).

Anticipated Impact

Regulatory Impact Analysis Statement to be furnished with pre-publication in the Canada Gazette Part I. The colour coding scheme is in keeping with those recommended in voluntary standards developed by the International Standards Organization and the Canadian Standards Association for several specific medical devices.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

September 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **435 HWC - A 87**

435. Premarket Notification of Infant Formula.

Description

Infant formula is often the sole source of nourishment for infants during the first five months of life, a critical period for growth and development when infants are highly vulnerable to any nutritional deficiencies and microbiological or chemical contamination. The proposal is to require manufacturers or importers to notify the Health Protection Branch of their intent to market new infant formula, or to make major alterations in the formulation, processing or packaging of a formula already on the market.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, ss. 25(1).

Anticipated Impact

Pre-market notification as opposed to post-market surveillance should provide greater protection for infants who require these products as a sole source of nutrition.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
June 1987.

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Title of Proposal 436 HWC - A 87
436. Cost Recovery/Staged Approval for New Drugs.

Description
This amendment introduces a staged approval process for the evaluation of new drugs, designed to improve the efficiency of the review process, in conjunction with the introduction of user fees to recover the cost of this service.

Statutory Authority
Food and Drugs Act R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, s. 25.

Anticipated Impact
User fees will create an economic burden on all members of the pharmaceutical industry, however, this burden will be greatest on small manufacturers. The increased costs are expected to be passed on to consumers. Staged approval will streamline the review process and improve the market entry of new drugs.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
August 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal 437 HWC - A 87
437. Proposed Regulations for Extra-oral Dental X-Ray Equipment.

Description
The proposed schedule to the Radiation Emitting Devices Regulations amends Part II on Extra-Oral Dental X-Ray Equipment so as to bring it in line with current technology and state of the art.

Statutory Authority
Radiation Emitting Devices Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. 34 (1st suppl.), ss. 11(1).

Anticipated Impact
Regulatory Impact Analysis Statement to be furnished with pre-publication in Part I of the Canada Gazette.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **438 HWC - A 87**
438. Proposed Schedule for Cuff Pressure Sphygmomanometers.

Description
The proposed schedule to the Medical Devices Regulations establishes standards of design and performance for cuff pressure sphygmomanometers.

Statutory Authority
Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, ss. 25(1).

Anticipated Impact
Regulatory Impact Analysis Statement to be furnished with pre-publication in the Canada Gazette Part I.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **439 HWC - A 87**
439. Proposed Regulation for the Investigational Use of Medical Devices.

Description

The proposed regulation to the Medical Devices Regulations establishes the ability to permit the sale of a "new device", under prescribed conditions, for the sole purpose of clinical investigation.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, ss. 25(1).

Anticipated Impact

Regulatory Impact Analysis Statement to be furnished with pre-publication in the Canada Gazette Part I. This change will enable manufacturers to carry out clinical investigations of devices for which evidence of safety and efficacy is not available in Canada.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

December 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **440 HWC - A 87**

440. Proposed Schedule for Industrial Radio-frequency Heaters.

Description

The proposed schedule to the Radiation Emitting Devices Regulations, establishes regulations for the safe design, construction, and function of testing methods for measurement of emissions from, as well as labelling requirements for industrial radio-frequency heaters, so as to control their emission of radio-frequency radiation.

Statutory Authority

Radiation Emitting Devices Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. 34 (1st suppl.), ss. 11(1).

Anticipated Impact

Regulatory Impact Analysis Statement to be furnished with publication in the Canada Gazette Part I.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Pre-published in the Canada Gazette Part I on April 16, 1986.

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Title of Proposal **441 HWC - A 87**

441. Proposed Regulation for the Emergency Release of Medical Devices.

Description

The proposed regulation to the Medical Devices Regulation establishes the ability to permit the sale of a "new device", for emergency treatment under special conditions.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, ss. 25(1)

Anticipated Impact

Regulatory Impact Analysis Statement to be published with pre-publication in the Canada Gazette Part I.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **442 HWC - A 87**

442. Food Irradiation.

Description

Food processors have requested new uses of food irradiation for the purposes of increasing the quality, safety and shelf-life of foods. Also, there is renewed international interest in this process and Canada has an obligation to consider, with a view to adoption, international recommendations dealing with irradiation of food.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, ss. 25(1).

Anticipated Impact

The proposal will allow food processors an alternative method of food preservation which may result in decreasing the load of chemical residues in food. Industry is aware that considerable consumer education will probably be required before the benefits of this process are appreciated by the majority of consumers.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

February 1987.

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MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **443 HWC - B 87**

443. Lead - Reduction of lead tolerances for Apple Juice, Cider and Wine.

Description

Lead is a non-essential element with no demonstrated beneficial action in animals or humans. Children are more susceptible than adults to the biological and neurological effects of low level lead exposure. Lead in food derives from a number of sources but the canning process is a major contributor. To protect the health of Canadians, lead levels in food must be controlled and minimized. This proposal is of particular importance to children who are large consumers of apple juice.

Tolerances for lead in apple juice, cider and wine are 0.5 parts per million under Table I, Division 15 of the Food and Drug Regulations. It is considered timely to reduce the lead tolerance levels in these products because technological advances have resulted in a reduced contribution of lead from both environmental and processing sources in these products.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, ss. 25(1).

Anticipated Impact

Canadians will be exposed to less dietary lead. The impact is expected to be minimal in that consultation is continually taking place and industry is committed to reducing lead in foods.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
June 1987.

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Title of Proposal **444 HWC - B 87**
444. Nitrite - Reduction in Level Permitted in Bacon.

Description
Nitrites have been used for many years for curing meat products such as ham and bacon. Nitrites contribute to the characteristic colour and flavour of the product and control microbial spoilage, particularly the microorganism Clostridium botulinum which produces the botulinum toxin, which can be fatal. Nitrites, however, can react with amines present in the product to produce low levels of potentially carcinogenic nitrosamines. Consequently, the Health Protection Branch has a policy of reducing the amount of nitrite added to foods to the lowest level technologically possible.

Recent information has indicated that the maximum amount of nitrite added to bacon can be reduced from 150 parts per million to 120 ppm without jeopardizing the product or its safety.

Statutory Authority
Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, ss. 25(1).

Anticipated Impact
Impact is expected to be minimal on the industry while the consumer is provided with additional protection.

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Title of Proposal **445 HWC - B 87**
445. IND Submissions Time Limit.

Description
This amendment introduces a 60-day time limit for the review of investigational new drug submissions, with automatic approval unless the manufacturer is advised to the contrary.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, s. 25.

Anticipated Impact

A specific time limit for the review of submissions will encourage pharmaceutical research in Canada by removing the uncertainty about the timing of regulatory approval and speed the market entry of new pharmaceuticals.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **446 HWC - B 87**

446. Proposed Regulations for Diagnostic X-Ray Equipment.

Description

The proposed schedule to the Radiation Emitting Devices Regulations amends Part XII on Diagnostic X-Ray Equipment promulgated in 1981, so as to bring it in line with current technology and state of the art.

Statutory Authority

Radiation Emitting Devices Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. 34 (1st suppl.), ss. 11(1).

Anticipated Impact

Regulatory Impact Analysis Statement to be furnished with pre-publication in the Canada Gazette Part I.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

September 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **447 HWC - B 87**

447. Aflatoxin.

Description

Aflatoxin are highly toxic carcinogenic chemical substances produced by moulds growing on crops in the field or during storage. Nuts and seeds, such as peanuts, pistachios, sunflower and pumpkin seeds, are particularly susceptible to aflatoxin-producing moulds.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, ss. 25(1).

Anticipated Impact

May possibly result in compliance problems for nut and seed distributors and processors who have not been subject to this requirement previously.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

March 1987.

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Title of Proposal **448 HWC - B 87**

448. Hydrocortisone.

Description

This amendment permits the nonprescription sale of skin preparations containing 0.5% hydrocortisone.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, s. 25.

Anticipated Impact

New market opportunities will be created, together with improved availability of a useful therapeutic agent. Over the counter availability contributes to lessening burden on the medical care system.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **449 HWC - B 87**
449. Methylxanthines.

Description

This amendment places methylxanthines, a class of therapeutics commonly used in the treatment of asthmatic conditions, on the prescription drug list (Schedule F).

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, s. 25.

Anticipated Impact

It is anticipated that some products will be removed from the market place and this may disadvantage small manufacturers disproportionately. Ultimate costs to consumers may be adversely affected.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

March 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **450 HWC - B 87**
450. Arsenic and Mercury.

Description

This amendment prohibits the use of arsenic in drugs and limits the use of mercury in drugs and cosmetics for human use.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, s. 25.

Anticipated Impact

No substantial impact is expected. These ingredients have limited application in modern therapeutics.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **451 HWC - B 87**

451. Proposed Labelling for In-vitro Diagnostic Devices containing hazardous materials.

Description

The proposed regulations to the Medical Devices Regulations requires cautionary information on the labelling of in-vitro diagnostic devices which contain material of human or animal origin or material or components which are potentially explosive.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, ss. 25(1).

Anticipated Impact

Regulatory Impact Analysis Statement to be furnished with pre-publication in the Canada Gazette Part I.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

September 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **452 HWC - B 87**

452. Proposed Amendments for Therapeutic X-Ray Equipment.

Description

The proposal is to amend the Radiation Emitting Devices Regulations Part XXVI on Therapeutic X-Ray Equipment promulgated 1983 so as to express more accurately its intended purpose.

Statutory Authority

Radiation Emitting Devices Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. 34 (1st suppl.), ss. 11(1).

Anticipated Impact

Regulatory Impact Analysis Statement can be furnished with publication in the Canada Gazette Part I.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

September 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **453 HWC - B 87**

453. Schedule D. Drugs - GMP's.

Description

These amendments formalize requirements concerning premises, processes and conditions of manufacture for drugs of biological origin.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, s. 25.

Anticipated Impact

No significant impact expected.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **454 HWC - B 87**

454. Modifications to Division 3 Part C of the Food and Drugs Regulations.

Description

The proposed amendment to Division 3 Part C of the Food and Drug Regulations establishes requirements concerning premises, processes, and conditions of manufacture of drugs subject to Schedule C of the Food and Drugs Act so as to ensure the drug will not be unsafe to use.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, ss. 25(1).

Anticipated Impact

Regulatory Impact Analysis Statement to be furnished with publication in the Canada Gazette Part I.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **455 HWC - B 87**

455. Format of New Drug Submissions.

Description

The regulations prescribe a certain format for new drig submissions. These requirements are administrative and not substantive in nature. This amendment clarifies the intent of the regulations with respect to the inclusion of raw data in the submission.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, s. 25.

Anticipated Impact

Clarifies intent - no significant impact expected.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **456 HWC - B 87**

456. Child Resistant Packaging.

Description

This amendment postpones the effective date of the regulations on child-resistant packaging and revises the definition of a CRP in response to representations made by the industry.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, s. 25.

Anticipated Impact

This amendment is intended to reduce the impact of the initial regulatory change and to facilitate compliance.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **457 HWC - B 87**
457. Division 10.

Description

These amendments modify the requirements relating to the submission of manufacturing information with an application for a Numbered Certificate of Registration.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, s. 25.

Anticipated Impact

No significant impact expected. These amendments formalize existing practices and correct an inconsistency in the regulations.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **458 HWC - B 87**
458. Limits of Variability.

Description

These amendments relax the manufacturing requirements related to content, potency and certain testing requirements.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, s. 25.

Anticipated Impact

Reflects advances in pharmaceutical manufacturing technology and is expected to have a modest positive impact on manufacturing costs.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

March 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **459 HWC - B 87**
459. Housekeeping.

Description

Typographical, spelling, translation, numbering and other inconsistencies inadvertently introduced into the regulations that require correction.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, s. 25, 38 and 45. Narcotic Control Act R.S.C. 1970, c. N-1, s. 12.

Anticipated Impact

No anticipated impact.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Anticipatory.

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ROUTINE INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **460 HWC - C 87**
460. Routine Enabling Amendments under the Food and Drug Regulations.

Description

This proposal covers a range of routine submissions requesting amendments to the Food and Drug Regulations respecting the maintainance or improvement of the nutritional quality of foods; the microbiological and chemical safety of foods, including the establishment of safe maximum residue limits for agricultural chemicals in foods and the establishment of maximum levels of use for food additives.

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, ss. 25(1).

Anticipated Impact

The anticipated cost impact of these proposals must be minimal otherwise they will be shown as specific entries in the Annual Regulatory Plan.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Since these are contingent upon submissions being made to the Health Protection Branch, it is impossible to predict the dates of pre-publication.

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Title of Proposal **461 HWC - C 87**

461. Schedule F Additions/Corrections.

Description

This amendment adds drugs to Schedule F to the Food and Drug Regulations (prescription drugs).

Statutory Authority

Food and Drugs Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. F-27, s. 25.

Anticipated Impact

No significant impact expected. Most additions concern products whose manufacturers have requested or already anticipate their inclusion in this Schedule.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1, 1987, July 1, 1987.

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INCOME SECURITY PROGRAMS BRANCH

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **462 HWC - A 87**

462. Amendment to Family Allowances Regulations.

Description

Proposal to extend the circumstances under which the payment of Family Allowances may be made to fathers.

Statutory Authority

Section 7 and subsection 19(b) of the Family Allowances Act, 1973.

Anticipated Impact

Proposal will ensure that fathers who remain at home to care for their child/children may, with the consent of mothers, receive the Family Allowances payment in respect to that child.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

December 1986.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **463 HWC - A 87**

463. Amendments to Old Age Security Regulations.

Description

Technical amendments to the regulations consequential to amendments to the Old Age Security Act in Bills C-40 (1984), C-26 (1985).

Statutory Authority

Old Age Security Act.

Anticipated Impact

None.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

November 1986.

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MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **464 HWC - B 87**

464. Amendment to Schedule of Old Age Security Regulations and Schedule IX of the Canada Pension Plan Regulations.

Description

Proposal to add to Schedules additional international social security agreements which Canada has entered into.

Statutory Authority

Section 22.3 of the Old Age Security Act and paragraph 7(1)(f) and section 109 of the Canada Pension Plan.

Anticipated Impact
None.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
October 1986.

Contact
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Title of Proposal **465 HWC - B 87**
465. Amendment to Family Allowances Regulations.

Description
Proposal to remove the requirement for a telephone number on a Family Allowances application.

Statutory Authority
Subsection 19(d) of the Family Allowances Act, 1973.

Anticipated Impact
Improve administrative time for approval of applications.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
November 1986.

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MEDICAL SERVICES BRANCH

MINOR INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **466 HWC - B 87**
466. Canada Potable Water and Health Regulations for Federal Facilities and Common Carriers.

Description
Changes to existing regulations governing the source and supply of potable water and food handling and storage in federal facilities, or on board a conveyance or service ancillary to a conveyance.

Statutory Authority
National Health and Welfare Act.

Anticipated Impact

Increased public protection through issuance of certificates for water systems and food establishments complying with regulations and issuance of fines for non-compliance of regulations.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

December 1987.

Contact

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INDIAN AFFAIRS AND NORTHERN DEVELOPMENT

Roles and Responsibilities

The Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development is responsible for the administration of 36 acts including the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development Act which gives the Minister the responsibility for three major areas: Indian Affairs; the Northwest Territories and the Yukon Territory and their resources and affairs; and Inuit Affairs.

The statutory commitments of the department are generally administered by the two main operating programs; Indian and Inuit Affairs and Northern Affairs.

These initiatives are being discussed with representatives of the Indian people. This is being done in line with the general consultative process on matters directly affecting Indian people. Indian and Inuit Affairs Program operates within a mandate which is derived from the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development Act and administers the following legislation:

- Alberta Natural Resources Act
- British Columbia Indian Reserves Mineral Resources Act
- Caughnawaga Indian Reserve Act
- Fort Nelson Indian Reserve Minerals Revenue Sharing Act
- Indian Act
- Indian Lands (Settlement of Differences) Act
- Indian Oil and Gas Act
- Indian (Soldier Settlement) Act
- James Bay and Northern Quebec Native Claims Settlement Act
- Lac Seul Conservation Act
- Lake of the Woods Control Board Act
- Manitoba Natural Resources Act
- Natural Resources Transfer (School Lands) Amendment
- Nova Scotia Indian Reserves Agreement Act
- Public Lands Grants Act
- Railway Belt Act
- Railway Belt and Peace River Block Act
- Railway Belt Water Act
- St. Peters Indian Reserve Act
- St. Regis Indian Reservation Act
- Saskatchewan and Alberta Roads Act
- Saskatchewan Natural Resources Act
- Songhees Indian Reserve Act

The Northern Affairs Program's regulatory activities are related to the following objectives:

- The development and implementation of an economic development strategy north of 60th parallel; the analysis and planning of economic development opportunities for the North and the promotion and coordination of viable options; and the development of an economic and energy infrastructure in support of northern economic objectives.

- The development of policies and plans and the development and implementation of regulatory systems for the allocation, utilization and conservation of the renewable resources of water, land and forests and the non-renewable resources of oil, gas and other minerals (mining) of both territories and the adjacent offshore regions.

- The development and maintenance of an effective, comprehensive environmental management regime; the review and assessment of onshore resource development proposals and the formulation of environmental terms and conditions to be included in such documents as permits and licenses issued by the Department in the North; and the direction of applied environmental research in support of the regulatory mandate of the Program.

The legislation under the Northern Affairs Program's responsibility is as follows:

- Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development Act, 1970
- Yukon Act
- Northwest Territories Act
- Territorial Lands Act
- Public Lands Grants Act
- Land Titles Act
- Canada Lands Surveys Act, Part III
- Northern Inland Waters Act
- Arctic Waters Pollution Prevention Act
- Dominion Water Power Act
- Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act
- Canada Oil and Gas Act
- Yukon Placer Mining Act
- Yukon Quartz Mining Act
- Northern Canada Power Commission Act.

Canada Oil and Gas Lands Administration, on behalf of the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development, has the specific mandate to manage oil and gas exploration and development in the Northern Canada Lands in keeping with the government's commitment in the North. This complements other legislative powers vested in the Minister of Indian Affairs and Northern Development such as Territorial Lands Act, Northern Inland Waters Act and the Arctic Waters Pollution Prevention Act.

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **467 INAC - A 87**
467. Amendments to the Territorial Timber Regulations.

Description

The Regulations are being revised in order to remove undesired discretionary action on the part of the enforcing officer and to remove certain sections considered to be "ultra vires" in the Territorial Lands Act by the Standing Joint Committee on Regulations and other Statutory Instruments. At the same time the department is adding a number of sections to improve the utilization and management of the forest resource and to enable timber operators to obtain multi-year permits.

Statutory Authority

Territorial Lands Act, Sections 14 and 19.

Anticipated Impact

Timber operators will be in favour of the multi-year permit revisions and the removal, in certain sections, of discretionary action by Forest Officers. A net result should be an increase in size and quantity of operations and, hence, in a number of people employed. Conservationists will be pleased with improved management practices and higher utilization standards.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

December 1986.

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Title of Proposal **468 INAC - A 87**
468. Amendments to the Territorial Lands Regulations.

Description

The proposed revisions will extend the application of the regulations to the offshore areas and will update and streamline land disposition procedures.

Statutory Authority

Territorial Lands Act.

Anticipated Impact

The public will benefit from more effective administration of both onshore and offshore lands. The cost of renting and purchasing land will continue to be based on fair market value.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

April 1987.

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Title of Proposal 469 INAC - A 87

469. Amendments to the Northern Inland Waters Regulations (NIWR).

Description

The Northern Inland Waters Regulations will be amended to expand the list of water uses which may be authorized without a licence and to stipulate under what conditions and in what quantities waste may be deposited from such water use operations.

Statutory Authority

Northern Inland Waters Act - Section 26.

Anticipated Impact

The proposed amendments will provide a simpler, speedier and less costly process to clients who wish to obtain approval for minor water uses. The paperburden on the Water Boards will be reduced as the number of applicants who must obtain a formal licence will decrease. The amendments relating to waste deposits will provide more legal certainty to minor water users while at the same time providing the federal government with a more effective tool for safeguarding the environment.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

March 1987.

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Title of Proposal **470 INAC - A 87**
470. Amendments to the Territorial Quarrying Regulations.

Description

The revised regulations will modernize the management and disposal of granular materials in the Yukon and NWT, and also extend the application of the existing regulations to the offshore.

Statutory Authority

Territorial Lands Act.

Anticipated Impact

The new regulations will provide northern pits and quarry operators with welcome relief from the inadequacies of the 1962 Territorial Quarrying Regulations. The streamlined one permit system and an updated royalty schedule will result in greater efficiency and cost recovery. Improved management of finite granular resources will serve the community interest.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

November 1987.

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MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **471 INAC - B 87**
471. Amendments to the Dominion Water Power Regulations (DWPR).

Description

The DWPR will be amended to decrease the regulatory control over the construction of new hydropower plants and the licensing of existing hydropower plants on Heritage Canals. The administration of these new Regulations respecting Heritage Canals and the existing Regulations respecting hydropower facilities in national parks will be turned over to Environment Canada (DOE).

Statutory Authority

Dominion Water Power Act.

Anticipated Impact

Builders and operators of hydropower facilities will be able to obtain long term licences ensuring their right to use Heritage Canal water for hydropower purposes.

Administrative responsibilities between DOE and Indian and Northern Affairs (DIAND) will be clarified to the benefit of the users.

The proposed water rentals on Heritage Canals will significantly increase revenue to the Crown. Fees collected would rise from $76,200. to approximately $620,000. per annum.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **472 INAC - B 87**
472. Amendments to the Canada Mining Regulations.

Description
The amendments will provide for modern exploration practices urgently requested by industry, improved administrative practices, respect the powers of the enabling Acts, ensure due process for appeals of actions taken by officials and respond to government policy expressed elsewhere.

Statutory Authority
Territorial Lands Act. Public Lands Grants Act.

Anticipated Impact
Amendments are intended generally to improve the mining industry's efficiency in the development of the mineral resources in the N.W.T.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Currently under review by PCO (JUS). Pre-publication in October 1986.

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Title of Proposal **473 INAC - B 87**
473. Amendments to the Territorial Land Use Regulations.

Description

These amendments will redefine the term "Engineer" and will effect two technical changes required by the Standing Joint Committee on Regulations and other Statutory Instruments. Sections 36(5) and 36(6) will be amalgamated to clarify the Minister's right to retain and use security deposits and revisions to Section 6 will clarify any cross-referencing to the Territorial Timber Regulations.

Statutory Authority

Territorial Lands Act.

Anticipated Impact

The amendment will not impact the public but will remove any questions about the legal appointment of "Engineers". Removal of improper cross-referencing to the Timber Regulations and gaining compliance with the Financial Administration Act by amalgamating Sections 36(5) and 36(6) will have no impact on the public but will improve the technical application of the Regulations.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **474 INAC - B 87**

474. Revision of the Territorial Coal Regulations.

Description

The revision will provide for the direct acquisition of long-term rights to coal as well as provide for modern industry practices and needs.

Statutory Authority

Territorial Lands Act.

Anticipated Impact

The revised Regulations will encourage the exploration and development of coal resources North of 60°. Reduction in the cost of acquisition of long term rights to coal.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

September 1987.

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Title of Proposal **475 INAC - B 87**

475. Amendment to the Pine Point Mines Limited Zinc Export Order, 1985.

Description

This will extend the authority until May 2, 1989, for Pine Point Mines to export, from Canada, zinc concentrates produced in the Northwest Territories.

Statutory Authority

Section 4 and 8, Territorial Lands Act and subsection 76(1), Canada Mining Regulations.

Anticipated Impact

Will ensure continued full productivity of Pine Point Mines' mine and concentrator, thereby providing employment and economic benefits principally to the community.

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ROUTINE INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **476 INAC - C 87**

476. Federal Government Employee Land Acquisition Orders.

Description

In 1987 approximately eight (8) Orders will be required to authorize employees of the Government of Canada to acquire interests in Crown lands in the NWT or Yukon. Employees or their spouses routinely acquire territorial lands for residences, cottages or commercial interest.

Statutory Authority

Section 24(1) Territorial Lands Act.

Anticipated Impact

These "employee acquisition orders" will have no impact on the general public. On the other hand, the employee and his/her family may suffer financial and personal hardship if the Order is not approved in a timely manner.

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Title of Proposal **477 INAC - C 87**

477. Withdrawal of Territorial Lands from Disposal.

Description

Estimated that seven (7) Orders withdrawing lands in the NWT and Yukon from disposal will be required in support of native claims agreements and the establishment of special purpose land management areas, e.g., pipeline corridors and national parks. Several Orders to revoke existing withdrawal Orders may be required.

Statutory Authority

Section 19(a) Territorial Lands Act.
Section 93 Yukon Placer Mining Act.

Anticipated Impact

These Orders directly support the settlement of native land claims and land administration in general. Existing rights are fully protected, however, no new real property interests may be acquired in the withdrawn lands.

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Title of Proposal **478 INAC - C 87**

478. Waiver of Reservations from Grants.

Description

The Territorial Lands Act provides for a routine exclusion of a 100 foot strip along navigable waters. It is estimated that four (4) Orders will be required to waive the one hundred foot waterfront reservation in grants of land in the NWT and Yukon.

Statutory Authority

Section 9 Territorial Lands Act.

Anticipated Impact

Applications to waive the one hundred foot reservation are carefully assessed at the local level and any potentially affected parties are consulted. Waterfront lands can be developed as required.

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Title of Proposal **479 INAC - C 87**

479. Revocation of the Baker Lake Prospecting Permits Regulations.

Description

The revocation will remove from the index a regulation which has not had any effect since 1982.

Statutory Authority

Territorial Lands Act.

Anticipated Impact

No impact on Canadian society because these Regulations applied only to certain specific prospecting permits which expired four years ago.

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CANADA OIL AND GAS LANDS ADMINISTRATION

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **480 INAC - A 87**

480. Canada Oil and Gas Liability Regulations.

Description

The Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act imposes absolute liability for damages or actual loss incurred as a result of a spill or debris up to any applicable limit. The Canada Oil and Gas Liability Regulations prescribe the applicable limits of liability for certain geographic regions for the purposes of section 19.2 of the Act, or the manner of determining such limits for other geographic regions.

Statutory Authority

Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. 0-4 as amended by R.S.C. 1970, c. 30 (1st Supp.), S.C. 1976-77, c. 55 and S.C. 1980-81-82-83, c. 81, s. 12(v).

Anticipated Impact

The petroleum industry has already been complying with a Ministerial directive which sets the limit of the liability. Accordingly, the proposed regulations will have no impact on the petroleum industry once they are proclaimed in force.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

The regulations are presently with PCO (Justice) for approval and it is anticipated that they will be pre-published in the Fall of 1986.

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Title of Proposal **481 INAC - A 87**

481. Canada Oil and Gas Registration Regulations.

Description

The Canada Petroleum Resources Act (Bill C-92) allows for the making of regulations respecting the registration and filing of documents including the registration of encumbrances. The proposed regulations will establish a registry system to permit the registration of transfers of ownership and encumbrances on title.

Statutory Authority

Canada Petroleum Resources Act (Bill C-92). The Bill is expected to receive third reading by the House of Commons in September 1986, with Senate approval shortly thereafter. It is anticipated that proclamation will be sometime in the Fall of 1986.

Anticipated Impact

The regulations should promote a degree of confidence and security both within the petroleum industry and the financial institutions as they will now be able to register their documents and receive the statutory protection afforded by such a system.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

The regulations have been drafted and will be forwarded to PCO (Justice) for examination once Bill C-92 is proclaimed. Pre-publication will follow PCO (Justice) approval.

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Title of Proposal **482 INAC - A 87**

482. Canada Oil and Gas Geophysical Regulations.

Description

The Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act provides for the making of regulations respecting safety, conservation practices and the prevention of pollution in operations for the production of oil and gas. The proposed Regulations will provide specifically for the authorization and regulation of geophysical operations and ensure the safety of those operations on Frontier Lands.

Statutory Authority

Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. 0-4 as amended by R.S.C. 1970, c. 30 (1st Supp.), S.C. 1976-77, c. 55 and S.C. 1980-81-82-83, c. 81.

Anticipated Impact

The oil and gas industry has been operating with the draft regulations for a number of years. In addition, both the Canadian Petroleum Association and the Independent Petroleum Association of Canada were actively involved in the formulation of the technical criteria contained in the regulations. Accordingly, promulgation of the regulations is not anticipated to have an impact on the petroleum industry.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

The regulations are at present being examined by PCO (Justice). Upon receipt of PCO (Justice) approval they will be pre-published.

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Title of Proposal **483 INAC - A 87**

483. Canada Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Regulations.

Description

The Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act provides for the making of regulations respecting safety, conservation practices and the prevention of pollution in operations undertaken for the production of oil and gas. The proposed regulations will provide specifically for the authorization, regulation and the safety of production operations on Frontier Lands.

Statutory Authority

Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. 0-4 as amended by R.S.C. 1970, c. 30 (1st Supp.), S.C. 1976-77, c. 55 and S.C. 1980-81-82-83, c. 81.

Anticipated Impact

The proposed regulations have existed in various draft forms over the past two years. The oil and gas industry is familiar with the draft regulations and has been complying with them as though they were already in force. Thus, the actual promulgation of the regulations is not anticipated to have any impact on the petroleum industry.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

It is anticipated that the regulations will be sent by year end. Pre-publication will occur after approval has been received from PCO (Justice) and the Special Committee of Council.

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Title of Proposal **484 INAC - A 87**

484. Canada Oil and Gas Production Installation Regulations.

Description

The Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act provides for the making of regulations prescribing minimum acceptable standards for the construction, alteration or use of works, machinery and plant used in the development and production of oil and gas, in addition to allowing for regulation of the safety aspects of oil and gas activity. The regulations will establish performance criteria for the various components of the superstructure to ensure that production operations will be carried out in as safe an environment as possible.

Statutory Authority

Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. 0-4 as amended by R.S.C. 1970, c. 30 (1st Supp.), S.C. 1976-77, c. 55 and S.C. 1980-81-82-83, c. 81.

Anticipated Impact

The regulations will not greatly impact on the petroleum industry as, for the most part, the industry already adheres to the design and operating principles set out in the regulations. With the exception of certain provisions imposing more rigorous standards due to the exceptional environmental conditions found in the Canadian offshore, by and large the performance standards contained in the regulations are similar to those adopted by most offshore oil-producing countries and with which the industry is already familiar.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

The regulations are still in draft form and it is anticipated that they will be sent to PCO (Justice) for examination by the Spring of 1987. Pre-publication will take place after PCO (Justice) approval has been received.

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Title of Proposal 485 INAC - A 87

485. Oil and Gas Diving Regulations.

Descricription

The Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act provides for the making of regulations concerning the safety and inspection of all operations conducted in connection with the exploration for, the drilling for and the production of oil and gas. At present, diving operations are governed by provisions contained in the Drilling Regulations. It was decided that due to the increase in diving operations in exploration activities for oil and gas a much more comprehensive regulatory system was necessary to ensure the safety of individuals engaged in such diving operations.

Statutory Authority

Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. 0-4 as amended by R.S.C. 1970, c. 30 (1st Supp.), S.C. 1976-77, c. 55 and S.C. 1980-81-82-83, c. 81.

Anticipated Impact

It is anticipated that the regulations will encourage the establishment of Canadian divers training facilities to certify that divers are trained to the standards established in the regulations. The draft regulations have been endorsed by a number of Canadian diving associations.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

It is anticipated that the regulations will be pre-published within the next two months.

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Title of Proposal **486 INAC – A 87**

486. Canada Oil and Gas Offshore Pipeline Regulations.

Description

The Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act provides for the making of regulations with respect to the safety and inspection of all operations connected with exploration and drilling for and the production of oil and gas. The construction of offshore pipelines from the well to a central gathering point is a function of the production system and it was considered necessary to make regulations to govern the safety and inspection aspect of the construction and maintenance of offshore pipelines.

Statutory Authority

Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. 0-4 as amended by R.S.C. 1970, c. 30 (1st Supp.), S.C. 1976-77, c. 55 and S.C. 1980-81-82-83, c. 81.

Anticipated Impact

As the regulations address both environmental and human safety, they will obviously impact on these issues. However, as to date, there have been no offshore pipelines constructed in Canada, the proposed regulations will not impose any technological changed on the industry.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

It is anticipated that the regulations will be sent to PCO (Justice) for examination and approval within two months. Pre-publication will occur after approval has been received from PCO (Justice) and the Special Committee of Council.

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Title of Proposal **487 INAC - A 87**

487. Canada Oil and Gas Onshore Pipeline Regulations.

Description

The Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act provides for the making of regulations respecting the operation, safety and inspection of all operations connected with the exploration and drilling for and the production of oil and gas. The construction of onshore pipelines from the well to a central gathering point is a function of the production system and it was considered necessary to make regulations governing operations, and safety and inspection aspects of the construction and maintenance of onshore pipelines.

Statutory Authority

Oil and Gas Production and Conservation Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. 0-4 as amended by R.S.C. 1970, c. 30 (1st Supp.), S.C. 1976-77, c. 55 and S.C. 1980-81-82-83, c. 81.

Anticipated Impact

The technical requirements of the regulations are similar to those contained in the pipeline regulations under the National Energy Board Act. Accordingly, it is anticipated that compliance with the Canada Oil and Gas Onshore Pipeline Regulations will have minimal impact on pipeline companies and the petroleum industry.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

It is anticipated that the regulations will be sent to PCO (Justice) for examination and approval within one month. Pre-publication will occur after approval has been received from PCO (Justice) and the Special Committee of Council.

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Title of Proposal **488 INAC - A 87**

488. Canada Oil and Gas Royalty Regulations.

Description

The Canada Petroleum Resources Act (Bill C-92) creates and imposes on all production licence holders a royalty. Both the royalty rate or rates and the periods for which the royalty will be paid are to be prescribed by regulations. The proposed regulations will establish both the rates and the periods.

Statutory Authority

Canada Petroleum Resources Act (Bill C-92). The Bill is expected to receive third reading by the House of Commons in September 1986, with Senate approval shortly thereafter. It is anticipated that proclamation will be sometime in the Fall of 1986.

Anticipated Impact

The regulations will incorporate a new, profit-sensitive royalty structure similar to other royalty regimes applied to high cost projects in Western Canada. This type of regime is designed to provide a fair return to the industry, after it recovers its up front costs, and the Government of Canada, as owner of the resource. It is also designed to stimulate investment in Canada's frontier areas, subject, of course, to realistic price escalations, thereby creating employment and business opportunities for northern residents.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

The regulations are in the earliest stages of technical drafting. Considerably more work must be done prior to sending the regulations to PCO (Justice) for examination. At this point the date of pre-publication is unknown.

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Title of Proposal **489 INAC - A 87**

489. Canada Oil and Gas Land (Survey) Regulations.

Description

The Canada Oil and Gas Land Regulations, as passed pursuant to the Territorial Lands Act and the Public Lands Grants Act, were prepared on the basis of the 1927 North American Datum. With the creation of a new satellite survey system a more accurate method of surveying has been developed and the regulations are being amended to reflect this.

Statutory Authority

Canada Petroleum Resources Act (Bill C-92). The Bill is expected to receive third reading by the House of Commons in September 1986, with Senate approval shortly thereafter. It is anticipated that proclamation will be sometime in the Fall of 1986.

Anticipated Impact

The proposed amendments to the regulations were suggested by the Canadian Petroleum Association and the Independent Petroleum Association of Canada. The industry is in favour of the greater degree of accuracy which the new surveying method will provide.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

The proposed amendments to the regulations should be ready for PCO (Justice) examination by early 1987 with pre-publication after PCO (Justice) approval has been received.

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SELF-GOVERNMENT PROGRAM

MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal 490 INAC - B 87

490. Cree-Naskapi Band Election Regulations.

Description

These regulations govern the election of council members for the Cree bands and the Naskapi band of northern Quebec, and their term of office. However, these provisions apply only where, at the time of the election, there is no band election by-law in force.

The regulations also prohibit acts that are detrimental to the conduct of free and fair elections. The provision pertaining to these matters apply to all elections.

Statutory Authority

Sections 67 and 198 of the Cree-Naskapi (of Quebec) Act, S.C. 1984, c. 18.

Anticipated Impact

The regulations apply to the eight Cree bands and the Naskapi band of northern Quebec (population 8,000). However, because the regulations, with the exception of those provisions pertaining to the conduct of free and fair elections, come into force only in the absence of band election by-laws, their actual application is very limited. All nine bands have passed election by-laws and, to maintain local autonomy they will likely ensure that such by-laws always remain in effect.

These regulations have no impact on the Canadian economy. Furthermore, there are no financial costs to the federal government associated with the regulations.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **491 INAC - B 87**
491. Cree-Naskapi Band Expropriation Regulations.

Description
These regulations establish the substantive and procedural requirements for expropriations by the Cree bands and the Naskapi band of northern Quebec for community purposes or community works of rights and interests in Category 1A or 1A-N lands (lands under federal jurisdiction) or in buildings situated thereon.

Statutory Authority
Section 156 of the Cree-Naskapi (of Quebec) Act, S.C. 1984, c. 18.

Anticipated Impact
The regulations apply only on the Category 1A and 1A-N lands of the eight Cree bands and the Naskapi band of northern Quebec (population 8,000). Because of their limited application, these regulations have little or no impact, on the Canadian economy.

Furthermore, there are no financial costs to the federal government associated with these regulations.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **492 INAC - B 87**

492. Instrument of Succession Regulations.

Description

These regulations deal with successions of the members of the Cree bands and the Naskapi band of northern Quebec. They establish the form for deeds relating to the acceptance, renunciation or settlement of successions composed of property located on the Category 1A or 1A-N lands (lands under federal jurisdiction) or successions in which persons suffering legal incapacity are interested.

Statutory Authority

Section 10 and 177 of the Cree-Naskapi (of Quebec) Act, S.C. 1984, c. 18.

Anticipated Impact

The regulations apply to the eight Cree bands and the Naskapi band of northern Quebec (population 8,000).

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **493 INAC - B 87**

493. Cree-Naskapi Special Band Meeting Regulations.

Description

These regulations govern special band meetings of the Cree bands and the Naskapi band. They include provisions respecting the calling and conduct of meetings, voting at meetings, and the preparation and keeping of records of votes taken, etc.

However, the regulations apply only, if at the time of the calling of a special band meeting, there is no special band meeting by-law in force.

Statutory Authority

Section 87 of the Cree-Naskapi (of Quebec) Act, S.C. 1984, c. 18.

Anticipated Impact

The regulations apply to the eight Cree bands and the Naskapi band of northern Quebec (population 8,000). However, because the regulations come into force, only in the absence of a special band meeting by-law, their application is very limited. As of September 1, 1986, seven of the nine bands had enacted such by-laws. It is likely that the remaining two will pass by-laws in the near future.

These regulations have no impact on the Canadian economy. Furthermore, there are no financial costs to the federal government associated with the regulations.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

March 1987.

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Title of Proposal **494 INAC - B 87**

494. Cree-Naskapi Band Referenda Regulations.

Description

These regulations govern band referenda of the Cree bands and the Naskapi band. They include provisions respecting the calling and conduct of referenda, the conduct of referenda, voting in referenda, and the preparation and keeping of records of votes taken, etc.

However, the Regulations apply only, if at the time of the calling of a band referendum, there is no band reference by-law in force.

Statutory Authority

Section 87 of the Cree-Naskapi (of Quebec) Act, S.C. 1984, c. 18.

Anticipated Impact

The regulations apply to the eight Cree bands and the Naskapi band of northern Quebec (population 8,000). However because the regulations come into force only in the absence of a band referenda by-law, their application is very limited. As of September 1, 1986, six of the nine bands had passed such by-laws. It is likely that the remaining three will pass by-laws in the near future.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

March 1987.

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LANDS, REVENUES AND TRUSTS PROGRAM

MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **495 INAC - B 87**

495. Regulations respecting interest on per-capita repayments.

Description

Persons being re-admitted to band membership under 1985 amendments to the Indian Act may owe money to the band as a result of per-capita shares paid to them at the time they ceased to be band members. These Regulations will provide for interest to be calculated on the amount owing.

Statutory Authority

Section 64.1(3) of the Indian Act.

Anticipated Impact

The impact is limited to those reinstated individuals who received more than one thousand dollars as a per capita share at the time they ceased to be a band member.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

November 1986.

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Title of Proposal **496 INAC - B 87**

496. Indian Lands Registration Regulations.

Description

These regulations govern the land registry system for Indian Reserve Lands and those lands which have

Statutory Authority

Sections 21, 55 and 73 of the Indian Act.

Anticipated Impact

The regulations will impact on the manner and form in which documents are registered in the Indian Land Registry as well as the effect and priority of registration. The regulations will govern disputes and claims over land stemming from the registration process. This should foster public confidence in the registry system and enhance the climate for economic development activities on reserve lands.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

February 1987.

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Title of Proposal **497 INAC - B 87**

497. The Specific Agreement Confirmation Regulations.

Description

These regulations govern the voting procedures for Ontario Indian band members who wish to confirm specific agreements contemplated by the proposed 1986 Ontario Indian Lands Agreement which will be entered into between Canada and the Province of Ontario to replace the 1924 Ontario Lands Agreement.

Statutory Authority

The proposed regulations will have no impact in terms of social or economic costs for the Canadian economy. The proposed regulations will, however, have an impact on those Ontario Indian band members insofar as they may wish to signify their acceptance or rejection of specific agreements entered into by their band councils pursuant to the terms of the 1986 Ontario Indian Lands Agreement.

Anticipated Impact

These regulations will have no impact on the Canadian economy.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM

MINOR INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **498 INAC - B 87**

498. Amendments to the Indian Oil and Gas Regulations.

Description

These amendments are in the process of being developed by a Task Force made up of Indian people and departmental officials. The precise nature of the amendments will not be known until December 1986, but will not call for any new expenditures of money or major changes in government policy.

Statutory Authority

Indian Oil and Gas Act, Section 4.

Anticipated Impact

The major impact will be on the relationship of Indian bands with oil and gas interests with the Department of Indian Affairs and Northern Development.
There will be minimal implications for the oil and gas industry.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1986. The Oil and Gas Act requires consultation with Indian people before changes to regulations are made.

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DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE CANADA

Roles and Responsibilities

The objective of the Department of Insurance is to protect the public against financial loss from the operations of federally registered or licensed financial institutions and registered pension plans and to provide actuarial services for the government and other government departments. The responsible Minister is the Minister of Finance.

The department is responsible for the supervision of all federally registered or licensed financial institutions other than chartered banks. The supervision of chartered banks is the responsibility of the Inspector General of Banks. The Department also has responsibility for the supervision of employer-sponsored pension plans relative to employments under federal jurisdiction.

The Department of Insurance Act of 1932 provided that the department would be responsible for the administration of the legislation respecting federally registered or licensed insurance, trust and loan companies. Since that time, legislation has been enacted with respect to supervision of other types of financial institutions. Administration of such legislation, other than that related to chartered banks, has been assigned to the department.

The department also has specific responsibility under various acts for the provision of actuarial services and advice. It provides actuarial advice to other departments and performs extensive actuarial services in the valuation of government pension and insurance programs.

DEPARTMENT OF INSURANCE CANADA

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **499 Ins - A 87**

499. Transfers of Shares (Loan Companies) Regulations
Transfers of Shares (Trust Companies) Regulations
Transfers of Shares (Canadian Insurance Companies) Regulations.

Description

These regulations are necessary to specify the information required of persons who wish to make application for the approval of the Minister of Finance for the direct or indirect acquisition of more than 10 per cent of the shares of a federal loan, trust or insurance company or for increases in shareholdings where they already exceed 10 per cent. The information would relate to the business record and experience of the applicants, the nature and sufficiency of their financial resources, their related business activities, their plans for the future conduct and development of the business of the loan, trust or insurance company, and information to demonstrate that they are fit as to character, competence and experience in order to be involved in the operation of such a company. The regulations will also specify the share transactions and classes of share transactions that will be exempt from the requirement to obtain the approval of the Minister. The regulations will come into force upon enactment of Bill C-103 and Bill C-123, as the case may be.

Statutory Authority

Paragraph 48.11(1)(a) of the Loan Companies Act and paragraph 41.11(1)(a) of the Trust Companies Act as proposed in Bill C-103 (First Reading, April 7, 1986), and paragraph 10.11(1)(a) of the Canadian and British Insurance Companies Act as proposed in Bill C-123 (First Reading, June 26, 1986).

Anticipated Impact

The regulations will have impact on individuals only if they wish to acquire more than 10 per cent of the shares of a federal loan, trust or insurance company or to increase their shareholdings when they exceed that limit. The information to be provided pursuant to the regulations will vary from one proposed purchaser to another, depending on such factors as the purchaser's other business interests, the proposed terms of the acquisition and the purchaser's business plans for the loan, trust or insurance company.

The regulations should permit the Minister of Finance to make more informed decisions in respect to the persons who are allowed to acquire control of federal loan, trust or insurance companies.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

October 1986.

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Title of Proposal **500 Ins - A 87**

500. Surplus Standards (Canadian Companies) Regulations
Surplus Standards (British Companies) Regulations
Surplus Standards (Foreign Companies) Regulations

Description

These regulations will specify the rules to be followed in determining the minimum margin of assets over liabilities that Canadian, British and foreign insurance companies must maintain with respect to the business of life insurance and accident and sickness insurance in order to comply with the provisions of the Canadian and British Insurance Companies Act and the Foreign Insurance Companies Act in that regard. It is anticipated that the regulations will come into force on July 1, 1987 if the enabling legislation (Bill C-123) is enacted by that date.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 82.3(1), paragraph 103(1)(c), subsection 127(2) and paragraph 128(1)(d) of the Canadian and British Insurance Companies Act and subsection 12(2) and paragraph 14(1)(d) of the Foreign Insurance Companies Act, all as proposed in Bill C-123 (First Reading, June 26, 1986).

Anticipated Impact

The regulations will require detailed mathematical calculations to be made from time to time by each Canadian, British and foreign insurance in Canada. The calculations are used to determine the minimum margin of assets over liabilities that must be maintained in respect of those classes of business. Compliance with the minimum standard will be necessary for continued authority to carry on an insurance business and will likely also be used to qualify for membership in an industry-sponsored plan providing for compensation of policyholders in the event of failure of a company.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
March 1987.

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Title of Proposal **501 Ins - A 87**
501. Reinsurance (Canadian Companies) Regulations
Reinsurance (British Companies) Regulations
Reinsurance (Foreign Companies) Regulations

Description

These regulations will set out in detail the extent to which a Canadian, British or foreign property and casualty insurance company may (a) reinsure itself against risks undertaken by it and (b) place reinsurance with an insurer that is not registered under federal insurance legislation. The regulations will also define the circumstances under which either a property and casualty insurance company or a life insurance company will be deemed to be associated with any other insurer and will indicate the circumstances in which the company may be authorized to place reinsurance with an associated company. The regulations would come into force upon enactment of Bill C-123.

Statutory Authority

Subsections 5(14) and 129.2(3) of the Canadian and British Insurance Companies Act and subsection 20.2(3) of the Foreign Insurance Companies Act, as proposed in Bill C-123 (First Reading, June 26, 1986).

Anticipated Impact

The regulations may require changes in the reinsurance arrangements of a number of property and casualty insurance companies. The impact will vary from company to company depending on the extent to which the company presently is reinsuring its business and the extent to which the reinsurance is being placed with unregistered reinsurers or associated companies. For companies in business less than five years and for newly-incorporated companies, the limits will be phased in over a period of several years. Life insurance companies will be affected only in respect of reinsurance placed with associated companies.

The limits proposed in the regulations should help to ensure that insurance companies do not place excessive reliance on reinsurance, including reinsurance with unregistered companies, which has been a contributing factor in the failure of several property and casualty companies in recent years. The control established in respect of reinsurance placed with associated companies should ensure an acceptable spreading of risks and prevent potentially harmful self-dealing transactions.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal 502 Ins - A 87

502. Real Estate Appraisal (Loan Companies) Regulations
Real Estate Appraisal (Trust Companies) Regulations
Real Estate Appraisal (Canadian Insurance Companies) Regulations
Real Estate Appraisal (British Insurance Companies) Regulations
Real Estate Appraisal (Foreign Insurance Companies) Regulations.

Description

These regulations are necessary to specify the manner in which appraisals of real estate held by federally-regulated loan, trust or insurance companies, when required or procured by the Superintendent of Insurance pursuant to the relevant statutory authority, must be conducted. The regulations would set out the standards that such appraisals must meet and establish criteria respecting the qualifications and independence of appraisers who are appointed to carry out these appraisals. The regulations will come into force upon enactment of Bill C-103 and Bill C-123, as the case may be.

Statutory Authority

Paragraph 75(4)(a) of the Loan Companies Act and paragraph 78(4)(a) of the Trust Companies Act as proposed in Bill C-103 (First Reading, April 7, 1986; paragraph 75(4)(a) and subsection 138(1) of the Canadian and British Insurance Companies Act as proposed in Bill C-123 (First Reading, June 26, 1986).

Anticipated Impact

The regulations would apply only on those occasions, expected to be infrequent, when the Superintendent requires an appraisal of real estate held by a loan, trust or insurance company or its subsidiaries because he believes it is overvalued or when he believes that the real estate securing a mortgage loan of a loan, trust or insurance company provides adequate security. The regulations will ensure that such appraisals are conducted in accordance with prescribed standards by qualified real estate appraisers. The qualifications proposed for the appraisers who are appointed to carry out these appraisals should ensure that they have adequate skills, training and experience and are free from conflicts of interest. The regulations will help the Superintendent in ensuring the solvency of federally-regulated loan, trust and insurance companies and will thereby provide an additional measure of safety for the depositors and policyholders of such companies.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
October 1986.

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Title of Proposal **503 Ins - A 87**
503. Investment Valuation (Canadian Companies) Regulations, Amendment.

Description
The proposed amendments will prescribe new valuation and accounting rules relating to real estate assets held in respect of the life insurance business of Canadian life insurance companies.

The new valuation and accounting rules are intended:

a) to bring about uniformity of valuation of real estate assets in contrast to the prevailing optional method of selective use of current appraised market value or depreciated historical cost of real estate parcels by companies;

b) to bring more equitable distribution of the unrealized appreciation/depreciation on real estate held between generations of policyholders;

c) to ensure that the capital gains and losses resulting from sale of real estate is brought into income over a period of time as opposed to being directly reflected into income and surplus in the year of disposal; and

d) to establish standards of appraisal of real estate to bring about uniformity in the area of valuation requirements.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 71(6) of the Canadian and British Insurance Companies Act.

Anticipated Impact

Companies will be required to carry out real estate appraisals in a specified cycle which cannot be varied and standards will be set for determination of appraisal values and net realizable values.

The proposed amendments will lead to a more equitable distribution of profits to the policyholders of Canadian life insurance companies. They will also result in more uniform financial statement reporting within the industry.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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MAJOR/MINOR/ROUTINE INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **504 Ins - ABC 87**

504. Miscellaneous Amendments to Regulations.

Description

The Department of Insurance is responsible for the administration of the following acts:

Canadian and British Insurance Companies Act
Foreign Insurance Companies Act
Trust Companies Act
Loan Companies Act
Cooperative Credit Associations Act
Investment Companies Act
Pension Benefits Standards Act
Civil Service Insurance Act
Excise Tax Act - Part I

The Governor in Council has from time to time made a number of regulations pursuant to authority contained in those statutes, particularly those relating to non-bank financial institutions. These regulations deal primarily with matters pertaining to the supervision of the financial institutions.

It is possible that during 1987 minor and insignificant changes to some of these regulations will be necessary (a) to clarify their intent and purpose, (b) to correct ambiguities or discrepancies or (c) to delete obsolete provisions. The nature and number of these changes cannot be predicted.

Statutory Authority

The Acts listed under "Description".

Anticipated Impact

The amendments that may be necessary will have no material impact on regulated financial institutions or the general public, due to their minor and insignificant nature.

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DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

Roles and Responsibilities

The Department of Justice was created by an Act of Parliament in 1868. In 1962, the report of the Royal Commission on Government Organization recommended that the legal services of the government be provided by the Department of Justice, with five exceptions: the Judge Advocate General; the Legal Division of the Department of External Affairs; the Legal Division of Taxation in the Department of National Revenue; the Pensions Advocates in the Department of Veterans Affairs; and, the Legal Officers in the RCMP. That recommended integration was completed by 1970.

The Department of Justice performs two distinct functions on behalf of the government - the Attorney General function and the Minister of Justice function. The roles and responsibilities of the Department of Justice are based on the Department of Justice Act which provides for three broad areas of endeavour. First, the department is empowered to provide a full range of legal services to the Government of Canada. These services include the provision of legal advice, the preparation of legal documents, the drafting of legislation and the regulation or conduct of litigation. Second, the department is charged with ensuring that the administration of public affairs is carried out in accordance with the law. Third, the department has the lead responsibility in the planning, development and implementation of government policies in areas related to the administration of justice and such other areas as are assigned by the Governor in Council.

The major statutes, in addition to the Department of Justice Act, that provide direction to the work of the Department of Justice are the Canadian Bill of Rights, the Statutory Instruments Act and the Statute Revision Act. The Canadian Bill of Rights requires that bills introduced by Ministers in the House of Commons, and regulations transmitted to the Clerk of the Privy Council for registration, be examined to ascertain that the provisions thereof are consistent with the purposes and provisions of that Act. By a 1985 amendment to the Department of Justice Act, the Minister is given the responsibility for examining such regulations and bills to ascertain that their provisions are consistent with the purposes and provisions of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedom. In both cases he is required to report any inconsistency to the House of Commons at the first convenient opportunity. The Statutory Instruments Act requires the examination of regulations according to criteria set out in that Act. The Statute Revision Act provides for the periodic revision and consolidation of the public general statutes of Canada and of the regulations of Canada.

Acts for which the Minister of Justice has responsibility are listed below:

- Access to Information Act
- Annulment of Marriages (Ontario) Act
- Anti-Inflation Act
- Bills of Lading Act
- Canada Evidence Act
- Canada Prize Act
- Canada - United Kingdom Civil and Commercial Judgments Convention Act
- Canadian Bill of Rights
- Canadian Human Rights Act
- Criminal Code
- Crown Liability Act
- Department of Justice Act
- Divorce Act
- Escheats Act
- Extradition Act
- Federal Court Act
- Food and Drugs Act
- Foreign Enlistment Act
- Foreign Extraterritorial Measures Act
- Fugitive Offenders Act
- Garnishment, Attachment and Pension Diversion Act
- Identification of Criminals Act
- Interpretation Act
- Judges Act
- Law Reform Commission Act
- Lord's Day Act
- Marriage Act
- Narcotic Control Act
- Official Secrets Act
- Permanent Court of International Justice Act
- Postal Services Interruption Relief Act
- Privacy Act
- State Immunity Act
- Statute Revision Act
- Statutory Instruments Act
- Supreme Court Act
- Tax Court of Canada Act
- Tobacco Restraint Act
- War Measures Act

DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE

MINOR INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **505 Jus - B 87**

505. Rules of procedure applicable to the Second Division of the Tax Court of Canada.

Description

These rules are to regulate the procedure and practice respecting the conduct of appeals and other proceedings in the Second Division of the Tax Court of Canada. Since this is a new Division of the Court, there is a requirement for the making of rules of procedure governing such appeals and proceedings.

Statutory Authority

The government approved last June of the drafting of a bill providing for the reorganization of the Tax Court of Canada, including the establishment of a Second Division of that Court, and other changes relative to the appeal system in taxation matters.

Anticipated Impact

These rules will not directly affect the general public since taxpayers will invariably be represented by lawyers before the Second Division. These rules are of a special interest to judges and to tax practitioners.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

The pre-publication of these rules would not appear to be called for on account of the intensive consultations which have already begun with tax lawyers on the Chief Judge's initiative. Moreover, these questions of procedure are technical and are consequently of interest to judges and tax counsel.

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ROUTINE INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **506 Jus - C 87**

506. Family Orders and Agreements Enforcement Assistance Act Regulations.

Description

To carry out provisions of the Act to trace missing persons (Part I) and to garnish moneys of defaulting spouses (Part II). The regulations designate information banks and garnishable moneys, set out application and notice forms, and provide miscellaneous administrative details. The department currently has an implementation team designing the services required by the Act.

Statutory Authority

Family Orders and Agreements Enforcement Assistance Act, S.C. 1986, c.5.

Anticipated Impact

Necessary to provide the services under the Act. Will assist in returning missing children, and increase family incomes.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Part I regulations by November 1986.
Part II regulations by February 1987.

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LABOUR CANADA

Roles and Responsibilities

The regulatory responsibilities of the Department of Labour apply to employees across Canada who work for an industry or enterprise which is considered a federal undertaking or business. These include industries operating in interprovincial or international rail, road and pipeline transportation, shipping and related services, air transportation, interprovincial and international telecommunications, banks and certain Crown Corporations. Also included are industries declared by Parliament to be for the general advantage of Canada, such as uranium mining. Finally, all non-federal industries in the Yukon and the Northwest Territories are under federal labour jurisdiction with respect to Part V (Industrial Relations) of the Labour Code.

The mandate of the department is derived from the Department of Labour Act and the Canada Labour Code consisting of Labour Standards (Part III), Occupational Safety and Health (Part IV) and Industrial Relations (Part V), as well as the Fair Wages and Hours of Labour Act, the Government Employees Compensation Act, the Merchant Seamen Compensation Act, and the Labour Adjustment Benefits Act.

The objectives of the Department of Labour are to promote and sustain stable industrial relations, a fair return for efforts in the workplace, a working environment conducive to physical and social well-being; to protect the rights and interests of the parties in the world of work; to promote equitable access to employment opportunities; and to foster a climate for improved consultation and communication among government, labour and management.

The departmental regulatory activities include: Mediation and Conciliation; General Labour Services; Labour Adjustment Income Support Program; and Injury Compensation Respecting Government Employees and Merchant Seamen.

The Mediation and Conciliation activity, through the Federal Mediation and Conciliation Service, fulfills the statutory responsibility under the Canada Labour Code, Part V, for the prevention and settlement of industrial disputes and the resolution of labour-management conflict in the federal private sector and also provides industrial relations expertise for policy formation and implementation, and legislative development.

The General Labour Services activity includes operations intended to enforce compliance with provisions of Part III and IV of the Canada Labour Code and the Fair Wages and Hours of Labour Act, as well as operations which are advisory, promotional and educational in nature. Their objectives are to achieve compliance with existing occupational safety and health and employment standards legislation; to develop increasingly effective legislation and programs; to promote a positive change in attitudes and values respecting work issues; and, to promote within labour organizations a membership that is better informed about the role and environment of the various participants in the industrial relations system.

Within the Labour Adjustment Income Support Program, which is a statutory activity, benefits are available to laid-off employees of nationally or regionally designated industries whose unemployment insurance benefits are depleted, provided they meet the age and years of service criteria under the Labour Adjustment Benefits Act.

Injury Compensation Respecting Government Employees and Merchant Seamen is also a statutory activity. The objective of this program is to ensure timely and efficient validation of claims so that benefits are provided to injured employees, and the dependent survivors of employees killed on the job, under the terms of the Government Employees Compensation Act and the Merchant Seamen Compensation Act.

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **509 Lab - A 87**

509. Development of industry specific regulations for the safety and health of federally-regulated employees involved in the operation of ships, trains, and aircraft, and in certain portions of the oil and gas industry.

Description

The amended Application Section of Part IV of the Canada Labour Code, which will primarily affect employment connected with the operation of ships, trains, and aircraft, and certain portions of the petroleum industry, is awaiting proclamation. Pertinent industry-specific regulations compatible with the intent and mandate of the statute are being jointly developed by the Department of Labour and the appropriate agencies having jurisdiction in consultation with employer and employee groups.

Statutory Authority

Canada Labour Code RS.c.L-1 as amended s.106(2)(3).

Anticipated Impact

A Socio-Economic Impact Analysis screening study has been conducted. Results indicated that the impact would be less than the guideline limits.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **510 Lab - A 87**

510. Revision of the Coal Mines Cape Breton Development Corporation (CBDC) Safety Regulations. (These Regulations are specific to the federally-owned-and-operated coal mines in Cape Breton).

Description

These Regulations have not been reviewed since 1974. This revision, which has been underway since May 1986, will make the Regulations compatible with the intent and mandate of the revised statute; delete any redundancies and update references; include provisions that will permit the use of technological developments and state-of-the-art mining practices in a safe manner.

Statutory Authority

Canada Labour Code RS.c.L-1 as amended s.106(1).

Anticipated Impact

A Socio-Economic Impact Analysis screening study has been conducted. Results confirmed that the impact would not be significant.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **511 Lab - A 87**

511. General Review of the Canada Labour Standards Regulations.

Description

These regulations have not been subjected to a comprehensive examination since 1972. The purpose of the review is to identify and correct any inconsistencies which may have occurred since that time, and generally to ensure the regulations are current. Initially, the review will be carried out by an internal departmental committee. Should amendments be required, consultations will be undertaken with interested parties.

Statutory Authority

Canada Labour Code, Part III, R.S.C. 1970, c.L-1 as amended.

Anticipated Impact

Potential economic and social impact will be minimal.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

March 31, 1987.

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PUBLIC WORKS CANADA

Roles and Responsibilities

The mission of Public Works Canada is to manage real property for the Government of Canada and to provide design, construction and realty services to government departments and agencies while contributing to the government's wider social, economic, and environmental objectives in relation to Real Property.

The department's primary role is that of a common service organization in the provision of accommodation and other realty services to clients within the requirements of legislation, policies and directives of the Treasury Board of Canada or other appropriate authorities, to achieve certain standards of prudence and probity and to conform with the socio-economic decisions of government.

The department is also responsible for administering all or portions of several statutes and for the fulfillment of a number of specific government mandates related to real property. These statutes include the Bridges Act, the Dry Dock Subsidies Act, the Expropriation Act, the Government Harbours and Piers Act, the Government Property Traffic Act, the Government Works Tolls Act, the Kingsmere Park Act, the Laurier House Act, the Municipal Grants Acts, the Official Residences Act, the Ottawa River Act, the Public Works Act, the Surplus Crown Assets Act, the Public Lands Grants Act and the Trans-Canada Highway Act.

The Minister of Public Works Canada is responsible for the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation and the National Capital Commission.

PUBLIC WORKS CANADA

MINOR INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **512 PWC - B 87**

512. Amendment to the Regulations for the Esquimalt Graving Dry Dock, Esquimalt, British Columbia.

Description

Amendments applied to the Regulations and rates for the management and use of the Graving Dock and related facilities at Esquimalt, British Columbia.

Statutory Authority

Public Works Act, Sections 24 and 28.

Anticipated Impact

Substantial increase in rates (approximately 300 per cent) expected to cause some concerns with the users.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

February 1987.

Contact

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CANADA MORTGAGE AND HOUSING CORPORATION (CMHC)

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **513 PWC - A 87**

513. Mortgage Loan Insurance Program.

Description

Legislative and/or regulatory changes to effect improvements in 1987 to the Mortgage Loan Insurance Program. No sunset provisions anticipated.

Statutory Authority

National Housing Act.

Anticipated Impact

Potential impact on all Canadian households, financial institutions and residential construction industry. Consultations on program changes are under way. Policy alternatives to be submitted to Cabinet.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Early 1987.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **514 PWC - A 87**
514. Mortgage-Backed Securities (MBS) Program.

Description
Program improvements to this new program in light of program acceptance and market circumstances.

Statutory Authority
National Housing Act.

Anticipated Impact
More MBS issued.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Late 1987.

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Title of Proposal **515 PWC - A 87**
515. Waiver of Fire and Property Insurance. Requirement - Approved Lender Loans.

Description
The amendment will allow lenders to waive the fire and property insurance requirement for borrowers (with the prior approval of CMHC) in receipt of social housing assistance.

Statutory Authority
National Housing Act - multiple section National Housing Loan Regulation - Section 39(3).

Anticipated Impact
Financial - could result in savings to the federal government. Social - none. Political - none.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Late 1987.

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Title of Proposal **516 PWC - A 87**

516. Housekeeping amendments to National Housing Loan Regulations.

Description

A collection of housekeeping amendments to the Regulations: compliance with requests of Standing Joint Committee of Senate and House on Regulations, modernizing language, correcting errors, improving form. The amendments represent no policy changes.

Statutory Authority

National Housing Act.

Anticipated Impact

Not applicable.

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MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **517 PWC - B 87**

517. Residential Renovation.

Description

Changes may be required to encourage Canadians to undertake repairs and improvements to their housing.

Statutory Authority

National Housing Act.

Anticipated Impact

Potential impact on homeowners, landlords, financial institutions and renovation industry. For implementation in 1987.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Early 1987.

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Title of Proposal **518 PWC - B 87**

518. CMHC Inspections Services.

Description

To permit CMHC to provide inspection services on a fee-for-service basis to governments, warranty programs, corporation and individuals as a potential step towards privatization of CMHC services.

Statutory Authority

National Housing Act.

Anticipated Impact

Under study. Alternatives, including fee-for-service, to be presented to Cabinet.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Early 1987.

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NATIONAL CAPITAL COMMISSION (NCC)

MAJOR INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **519 PWC - A 87**

519. National Capital Commission Property Regulations.

Description

A series of changes to the NCC Traffic and Property Regulations initiated through revocation of the existing regulations and replacement by new NCC Property Regulations.

Statutory Authority

National Capital Act.

Anticipated Impact

Any person entering NCC property will be required to comply with revised rules of conduct for the protection of these lands, for preserving order and preventing accidents.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Late 1986.

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REVENUE CANADA
TAXATION

Roles and Responsibilities

The Department of National Revenue, Taxation operates one program which is under the direction of a Deputy Minister who reports to the Minister of National Revenue.

The objective of the program is "To administer and enforce the Income Tax Act, various federal and provincial statutes related thereto, including parts of the Canada Pension Plan and the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1971 and various provincial tax credit plans."

The department administers income tax legislation for the federal government, collects personal income tax on behalf of all provinces except Quebec, corporate income tax on behalf of all provinces except Alberta, Ontario and Quebec and collects employee and employer contributions under the Canada Pension Plan and employee and employer premiums for Unemployment Insurance.

The Department of Finance has responsibility for tax policy and amendments to the Income Tax Act. National Revenue, Taxation provides advice on the administrative feasibility of proposed tax measures and provides a statistical service used in the development of tax policy.

The department exists by virtue of the Department of National Revenue Act which charges it with the "control, regulation, management and supervision of internal taxes including income taxes and succession duties".

The Minister of National Revenue is the responsible Minister for Part I of the Canada Pension Plan and for Part IV of the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1971.

The department also administers the Petroleum and Gas Revenue Tax Act as well as International Tax Agreements signed with a large number of countries aimed at promoting the exchange of information between treaty partners and at avoiding the double taxation of foreign-earned income by their respective citizens.

The department collects income taxes for the provinces under agreements entered into by the Minister of Finance with the provincial governments concerned according to provisions of Part III of the Federal-Provincial Fiscal Arrangements Act.

REVENUE CANADA
CUSTOMS AND EXCISE

Roles and Responsibilities

The responsibilities of the Department of National Revenue, Customs and Excise, can be simply put: to collect revenue and to control the movement of people and goods across Canada's international land, sea and air boundaries.

There are six (6) prime Acts of Parliament relating to or administered by Customs and Excise: The Department of National Revenue Act establishing the Department, the Customs Act, the Customs Tariff, the Excise Act, the Excise Tax Act and the Special Import Measures Act.

Canada is the only major country which divides responsibility for the imposition and collection of taxes. The Department of Finance sets taxes and tariffs (with Parliament's approval), and National Revenue collects them. It follows that there is a very close working relationship between Finance and National Revenue. The Department of National Revenue Act provides for one department under one minister, but for two deputy ministers, one for Taxation (income taxes, succession duties, etc.), and the other for Customs and Excise.

The Customs side of Customs and Excise is primarily concerned with the control of travellers and goods across Canada's international borders and with the collection of revenue through administration of the Customs Act, Customs Tariff, Special Import Measures Act and other acts of Parliament dealing with matters as varied as health, coastal shipping and consumer packaging.

The Excise Branch of Customs and Excise administers the Excise Act and Excise Tax Act and is primarily involved in licensing of manufacturers and wholesalers; collection of sales and excise taxes on domestic and imported goods; collection, for the Department of Energy, Mines and Resources, of taxes on energy products; regulatory control of breweries and distilleries; and collection of excise duties on spirits and tobacco.

Customs and Excise is concerned with 69 other Acts of Parliament prohibiting, controlling or otherwise regulating the international movement of people and the importation or exportation of goods. This legislation comes under the authority of other federal departments and agencies, but Customs and Excise is involved in the administration and enforcement of at least parts of these acts.

REVENUE CANADA
TAXATION

ROUTINE INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **520 RCT - C 87**
520. Amendments to the Income Tax Regulations.

Description

Amend Part I and Schedule I of the Regulations to change federal-provincial sharing of source deductions on wages and salaries and to change source deduction tables for employers to reflect indexing and federal/provincial budget changes, if any.

Amend Part II of the Regulations to require information returns to be filed by a described class of persons in certain circumstances. These amendments will reflect budget changes.

Amend Part IX of the Regulations concerning delegation of the powers and duties of the Minister. These amendments will reflect budget changes, changes to the titles of officials of this department as a result of a departmental re-organization or reconsideration of the level to which the Minister's powers and duties should be delegated.

Amend Part XXV of the Regulations concerning rules for the preparation of the annual tax tables to simplify the computation of the income tax payable by individuals and the type of persons who cannot use the tables. These amendments will reflect budget changes.

Amend Schedule VIII to the Regulations listing the universities outside Canada, donations to which are deductible for income tax purposes. These amendments will add additional universities which have been found to meet the requirements contained in the Income Tax Act or to reflect a change in the name of a listed university.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 221(1) of the Income Tax Act.

Anticipated Impact

The impact of the described amendments cannot be determined separately from the overall impact determined for the budget.

Contact

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Title of Proposal 521 RCT - C 87

521. Amendments to the Petroleum and Gas Revenue Tax Regulations.

Description

Amend Section 12 of the Regulations concerning delegation of the powers and duties of the Minister. These amendments will reflect budget changes, changes to the titles of officials of this department as a result of a departmental re-organization or reconsideration of the level to which the Minister's powers and duties should be delegated.

Statutory Authority

Section 103 of the Petroleum and Gas Revenue Tax Act.

Anticipated Impact

None.

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Title of Proposal 522 RCT - C 87

522. Amendments to the Canada Pension Plan Regulations.

Description

Amend the Regulations to provide for the maximum contributions for the year and the basic exemption for the year, based on the increase in the Industrial Composite.

Amend Schedule I to the Regulations to provide source deduction tables for employers based on the revised maximum contributions and basic exemption for the year.

Amend Schedule VIII to the Regulations to reflect international agreements between the Government of Canada and the government of other countries that certain employment by the other countries government in Canada is exempt employment for the purposes of the Canada Pension Plan.

Statutory Authority
Paragraphs 8(1)(a) and 9(a), subsection 22(1) and paragraph 41(a) of the Canada Pension Plan.

Anticipated Impact
The impact of the described amendments cannot be determined at this time since the figures necessary to determine the revised maximum contributions and basic exemption are not available at this time.

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Title of Proposal **523 RCT - C 87**
523. Amendments to the Delegation of Powers (Canada Pension Plan, Part I) Regulations.

Description
Amend the Regulations to reflect budget changes, changes to the titles of officials of this department as a result of a departmental re-organization or reconsideration of the level to which the Minister's powers and duties should be delegated.

Statutory Authority
Subsection 41(2) of the Canada Pension Plan.

Anticipated Impact
None.

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Title of Proposal **524 RCT - C 87**
524. Amendments to the Unemployment Insurance (Collection of Premiums) Regulations.

Description

Amend Part I of the Regulations concerning the determination of insurable earnings to reflect budget changes.

Amend the Schedule to the Regulations to change source deduction tables for employers to reflect revised insurable earnings and premium rates as determined by the Unemployment Insurance Commission in accordance with the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1971.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 90(1) of the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1971.

Anticipated Impact

The impact from budget related changes cannot be determined separately from the overall impact determined for the budget. The impact from revised insurable earnings and premium rates cannot be determined since these figures are not available at this time.

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Title of Proposal **525 RCT - C 87**

525. Amendments to the Delegation of Powers (Part IV U.I. Act, 1971) Regulations.

Description

Amend the Regulations to reflect budget changes, changes to the titles of officials of this department as a result of a departmental re-organization or reconsideration of the level to which the Minister's powers and duties should be delegated.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 90(2) of the Unemployment Insurance Act, 1971.

Anticipated Impact

None.

Contact

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REVENUE CANADA
CUSTOMS AND EXCISE
CUSTOMS PROGRAMS BRANCH

MAJOR INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **526 RC-CE - A 87**

526. Amendment to the Accounting for Goods and Payment of Duty Regulations (Section 10).

Description

Current regulations specify that confirming entries be submitted within 5 or 10 days, depending on the type of goods involved. In accordance with suggestions from both the Canadian Association of Customs Brokers and Field Operations Branch consideration is being given to making the time limit for presentation of confirming entries a uniform 5 days for all types of goods. Prior to making this recommendation the department will consult with the importers affected (i.e. those who now have 10 days to confirm importations of perishable goods) and will analyze any costs which may accrue to the department importers or brokers.

Statutory Authority

Customs Act.

Anticipated Impact

The proposed change to a uniform five days would be easier for the department to administer.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

The effective date of change is unknown however, it is anticipated that the change will take place in 1987.

Contact

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MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **527 RC-CE - B 87**

527. Possible amendments to the Customs Act.

Description

The new Customs Act which will come into force in the fall of 1986 contains provisions which grant a drawback of duties paid in certain specified circumstances. The possible amendments would transfer the drawback of the Customs Act to the Duties Relief Act in order that all drawback provisions are contained in one Act.

Statutory Authority

Not applicable.

Anticipated Impact

There would be a beneficial impact by consolidating all drawback relief measures in one Act. This development would aid the importing community by reducing the need to consult a number of statutes and regulations.

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Title of Proposal **528 RC-CE - B 87**

528. Possible amendments to regulations made pursuant to the Customs Act.

Description

After the new Customs Act and regulations come into force, there may be a need to correct deficiencies and omissions in the regulations as well as to implement new initiatives which were unforeseen prior to the coming into force of the regulations.

Statutory Authority

Customs Act.

Anticipated Impact

Not known at this time.

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Title of Proposal **529 RC-CE - B 87**

529. Amendment to the Accounting for Goods and Payment of Duties Regulations. (Section 3, 6 and 9).

Description

Under the Customs Automated Data Exchange (CADEX) System, importers and brokers will be permitted to electronically transmit import accounting data to customs offices. This amendment will result in importers and brokers having to submit fully completed invoices at the time of interim accounting.

Statutory Authority

Sections 32, 33 and 34 of the Customs Act.

Anticipated Impact

Members of the importing/brokerage community will be able to transmit entry data electronically. This will have the effect of minimizing paperburden.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

November 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **530 RC-CE - B 87**

530. Amendment to the Importers' Records Regulations (Section 2).

Description

The amendment will permit importers and brokers operating on the Customs Automated Data Exchange (CADEX) System to keep their import records on magnetic tape or in disk format, rather than on paper.

Statutory Authority

Section 40 of the Customs Act.

Anticipated Impact

Members of the importing/brokerage community will be able to keep entry data electronically. This will have the effect of minimizing paperburden.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
November 1, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **531 RC-CE - B 87**
531. Amendments to regulations under Tariff Item 70200-1.

Description
Under this tariff item, the Governor in Council may prescribe regulations for each mode of conveyance. These modes cover vehicles, aircraft, water borne craft and certain types of reusable cargo containers which are used in the international commercial transportation of passengers and goods. The proposed amendment will replace the existing regulations covering all transportation modes with specific regulations for each of the following modes: air, highway, rail, marine and container. The regulations will take into account differences existing among these transportation modes.

Statutory Authority
Tariff Item 70200-1 of Schedule A to the Customs Tariff.

Anticipated Impact
No significant economic impact is expected. The new regulations will clarify the protection for Canadian-based carriers.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Second quarter of 1987.

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Title of Proposal **532 RC-CE - B 87**
532. Regulations pursuant to the Duties Relief Act.

Description

The Duties Relief Act, which received Royal Assent on June 27, 1986, provides that a number of regulations that the Governor in Council proposes to make be published in the Canada Gazette 60 days before their proposed effective date. All regulations are minor and consisent with similar regulations under the Customs Act.

Statutory Authority

Paragraphs 8(b), (c), and (d) and sections 13, 31, 35 and 36.

Anticipated Impact

None. The regulations continue existing practices under other Acts or authorities.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

September, 1986. (Final approval of proposed regulations could possibly be delayed until early in 1987).

Contact

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ROUTINE INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **533 RC-CE - C 87**

533. Orders exempting used vehicles from certain provisions of the Customs Tariff.

Description

Under certain circumstances, the prohibition against the importation of used vehicles in the Customs Tariff may be waived. These circumstances would include cases where specialized vehicles are not available in Canada and when certain types of used vehicles are imported by returning residents. Several times a year an Order in Council is passed and the exemptions come into effect on passage of the Order. The Order is for single importations of named goods and is therefore of a non-continuing nature.

Statutory Authority

Tariff Item 99215-1 of Schedule C to the Customs Tariff.

Anticipated Impact

The Customs Tariff specifically prohibits the importation of used vehicles for sale or domestic use. However, it is recognized that circumstances may arise which necessitate such importations in the case of specialized vehicles not available in Canada or vehicles imported by returning residents which, because of special circumstances, do not fall under existing legislation. The number of vehicles exempted from the prohibition each year is relatively small and does not have any signficant impact on either the Canadian new or used motor vehicle industries. The exemption adds flexibility to the otherwide rigid prohibition regulations.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **534 RC-CE - C 87**

534. Customs duty orders on imported fruit and vegetables issued under section 15 of the Customs Tariff.

Description

The Minister or Deputy Minister is authorized to make customs duty orders which impose duties on specified types of fruits and vegetables which would otherwise enter Canada duty free. The need for and the timing of such orders is largely determined by the private sector. These orders are imposed during the time when Canadian produce is available in the market place.

Statutory Authority

Paragraph 15(1)(a) of the Customs Tariff.

Anticipated Impact

The orders will protect Canadian producers during the growing season. It should be noted there are over 100 orders of this type made every year.

Contact

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REVENUE CANADA - CUSTOMS AND EXCISE
EXCISE BRANCH

MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **535 RC-CE - B 87**
535. Delegation of Powers Regulations (Excise Tax Act).

Description

The proposed regulations will delegate ministerial powers by position title of the delegate rather than by name as is now the case in order to avoid subsequent amendments due to changes in staff.

Statutory Authority

Section 35(2) of the Excise Tax Act.

Anticipated Impact

The proposed regulations will not have any foreseeable impact.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **536 RC-CE - B 87**
536. General Excise and Sales Tax Regulations.

Description

The purpose of the regulations is to revise the existing General Excise and Sales Tax Regulations, C.R.C. 594, to reflect the regulation-making authority contained in the Excise Tax Act as amended by S.C. 1986, c. 9 and to consolidate the various amendments to the existing regulations.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 35(1) of the Excise Tax Act.

Anticipated Impact

This revision will not have any foreseeable impact as it will bring the regulations in line with the current provisions of the Excise Tax Act.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

February 1987.

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Title of Proposal 537 RC-CE - B 87

537. Amendment to the Sales Tax Transportation Allowance Regulations.

Description

The purpose of this amendment is to provide legislative authority for the determination of an amount representing the cost of transportation as a percentage of the price at which goods are sold, for purposes of calculating the sale price and the sales tax payable under Part V of the Excise Tax Act.

Statutory Authority

Paragraph 26(6)(c) of the Excise Tax Act.

Anticipated Impact

This amendment will not have any foreseeable impact as it only gives legal authority for current administrative practice in relation to the determination of the cost of transportation.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

March 1987.

Contact

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Title of Proposal 538 RC-CE - B 87

538. Amendment to the Denatured Alcohol Regulations.

Description

To amend the regulation in order to ensure:

a) legislative authority for the regulation lies with the Minister of National Revenue (rather than with the Governor in Council) under Section 125.1 of the Excise Act; and

b) changes to product specifications for specially denatured alcohol and changes to certain administrative requirements concerning records and containers.

Statutory Authority
Section 125.1 and subsection 252(2) of the Excise Act.

Anticipated Impact
This amendment will have a minimal effect on both domestic producers and importers.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
February 1987.

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SOLICITOR GENERAL CANADA

Roles and Responsibilities

The Ministry of the Solicitor General is comprised of: Solicitor General Secretariat, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police, the Correctional Service Canada, the National Parole Board and the Canadian Security Intelligence Service. Although the agencies report independently to the Solicitor General, the Secretariat performs duties related to them. It is an integral part both of the Ministry of the Solicitor General and of the wider Canadian criminal justice and national security systems.

Other components of the systems include the judiciary and the courts, other police and law enforcement agencies, other correctional authorities and the private sector. The division of responsibility for the administration of justice is complex, and involves other federal departments and agencies, notably the Department of Justice, and provincial and municipal governments. The Office of the Correctional Investigator is part of the Secretariat Program and is responsible to the Minister.

The Department of the Solicitor General was established in 1966 under the provisions of the Department of the Solicitor General Act (as amended in 1984 by a section of the Canadian Security Intelligence Service Act), which gives the Solicitor General jurisdiction in all matters over which the Parliament of Canada has jurisdiction, and which have not by law been assigned to any other department, branch or agency of the Government of Canada, relating to:

- reformatories, prisons and penitentiaries
- parole and remissions
- the Royal Canadian Mounted Police
- the Canadian Security Intelligence Service.

The Solicitor General is responsible for the administration of the Department of the Solicitor General Act, the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Act, the Penitentiary Act, the Parole Act, the Prisons and Reformatories Act, the Canadian Security Intelligence Service Act, the Young Offenders Act, the Criminal Records Act and the Transfer of Offenders Act. As well, the Solicitor General is responsible for discharging specific operational responsibilities under such acts as the Identification of Criminals Act, the Diplomatic and Consular Privileges and Immunities Act and the Immigration Act, to name a few, which are otherwise administered by other departments.

The agencies of the Ministry, notably the RCMP, are responsible for enforcing all federal statutes where such enforcement is not specifically assigned to another department or agency.

SOLICITOR GENERAL CANADA
CANADIAN SECURITY INTELLIGENCE SERVICE (CSIS)

MAJOR INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **539 SGC - A 87**

539. Canadian Security Intelligence Service Warrant Court Rules.

Description

Regulations to govern: the practice and procedure of, and security requirements applicable to, hearings of applications for CSIS warrants and renewals; place where hearings may be held; the manner in which court records of such hearings shall be kept; possibly also the form of CSIS warrants.

Statutory Authority

CSIS Act, S.C. 1984, c. 21, s. 28.

Anticipated Impact

The proposed regulations will largely codify existing practice and procedures before the Federal Court of Canada and, hence, will have virtually no impact on Canadian social and economic conditions.

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NATIONAL PAROLE BOARD (NPB)

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **540 SGC - A 87**

540. Overall reform of the Parole Regulations.

Description

The Parole Regulations as written are excessively detailed and in many ways inappropriate to the National Parole Board's mission statement as currently being developed. In keeping with government-wide initiatives to simplify regulations, and in spite of the inevitable restrictions that are imposed by the present provisions of the Act respecting the regulations-making powers, it is felt that this initiative will be appropriate to attempt to bring the NPB's operating tools into line with its new direction. This initiative will be accomplished by NPB resources in consultation with the Ministry Secretariat and the Ministry of Justice.

Statutory Authority
Parole Act.

Anticipated Impact
There will be considerable impact on the operations of the NPB. In combination with the Board's mission statement, there may also be impact upon inmates in Canada and both the federal and provincial level where the NPB has jurisdiction. There will likely be little economic impact.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
June 30, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **541 SGC - A 87**
541. Reform of the Appeal Division.

Description
The Solicitor General has approved a pilot project in respect of the Appeal Division. This pilot project is to be completed by December and will lead to the development of a revised role for the Appeal Division. A revised role, mandate, and means of operations will be proposed. This proposal will be developed by NPB personnel and will be translated into parole regulations.

Statutory Authority
Parole Act.

Anticipated Impact
Some impact will be felt within NPB operations and may be felt by the inmate population. We would expect that parole cases eventually reviewed by the Federal Court on the basis of the fairness doctrine and Charter requirements will benefit favourably from Appeal Division involvement. No economic impacts are foreseen.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
March 31, 1987.

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CORRECTIONAL SERVICE CANADA (CSC)

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **542 SGC - A 87**
542. Amendment to the Penitentiary Service Regulations (PSR).

Description

In order to support Canadian ratification of the U.N. Convention Against Torture and Other Cruel, Inhuman or Degrading Treatment or Punishment, the Correctional Service of Canada intends to amend the PSR by adding a specific prohibition of the acts as defined in Article 16 of the Convention. The amendment will not include a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Penitentiary Act.

Anticipated Impact

Impact will be limited to Correctional Service of Canada staff and inmates.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

October 1986.

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Title of Proposal **543 SGC - A 87**
543. Amendments to the Penitentiary Service Regulation.

Description

The Penitentiary Service Regulations will require amending to allow the Correctional Serice of Canada (CSC) to implement two strategies designed to assist in reducing the amount of drug trafficking and drug use in federal penitentiaries. Specifically, one strategy involves the use of random sampling methods for urinalysis detection. The other strategy would allow CSC staff to use X-Ray inspections of inmates when there are serious reasons to believe that they are using body cavities to traffic contraband.

Statutory Authority

Penitentiary Act.

Anticipated Impact
Inmates housed in federal penitentiaries.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
March 1987.

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Title of Proposal **544 SGC - A 87**
544. Amendment to the Transfer of Offenders Regulation.

Description
To outline the considerations to be taken into account in deciding to approve or disapprove the transfer to Canada of a Canadian offender.

Statutory Authority
Transfer of Offenders Act.

Anticipated Impact
Canadian offenders serving a sentence in a foreign state with which Canada has a treaty.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Fall 1986.

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ROUTINE INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **545 SGC - C 87**
545. Amendments to the Penitentiary Service Regulations.

Description
CSC makes on average three or four "housekeeping" type of amendments to the PSR's a year; the nature of which is difficult to anticipate.

Statutory Authority
Penitentiary Act.

Anticipated Impact
CSC staff and offenders.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
1987.

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ROYAL CANADIAN MOUNTED POLICE (RCMP)

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **546 SGC - A 87**
546. Amendment to the Commissioner's Standing Orders.

Description
The Commissioner of the Royal Canadian Mounted Police has formulated several rules, to be known as Commissioner's Standing Orders, which have been developed pursuant to specific provisions in the RCMP Act. These rules are intended to expand and clarify particular part of RCMP Act. The amendments will not include a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority
RCMP Act.

Anticipated Impact
Impact will be limited to members of the RCMP.

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Title of Proposal **547 SGC - A 87**
547. Amendment to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Regulations.

Description
In order to support changes to the RCMP Act outlined in Bill C-65, "An Act to Amend the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Act", which received Royal Assent on March 26, 1986, the RCMP intends to amend the regulations to conform with the changes made in Bill C-65. The amendments will not include a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority
RCMP Act.

Anticipated Impact
Impact will be limited to members of the RCMP.

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MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **548 SGC - B 87**
548. Amendment to the Royal Canadian Mounted Police Superannuation Regulations.

Description
Regulation 8(1) is to be amended to treat air pay, instrument pay, and air responsibility allowance as superannuable.

Statutory Authority
RCMP Act.

Anticipated Impact
Limited to those members of the RCMP engaged in flying duties.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
November 1986.

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Title of Proposal **549 SGC - B 87**
549. Royal Canadian Mounted Police Superannuation Regulations.

Description
Regulation 10(1) is to be amended to clarify the superannuation contributions required for all periods when a member is not receiving pay and allowances.

Statutory Authority
RCMP Superannuation Act.

Anticipated Impact
Limited to contributors under the RCMP Superannuation Act.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
November 1986.

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Title of Proposal **550 SGC - B 87**
550. Royal Canadian Mounted Police Superannuation Regulations.

Description
Regulation 26 is to be amended to provide a uniform retirement age of 60 for regular members of the RCMP.

Statutory Authority
RCMP Superannuation Act.

Anticipated Impact
Limited to contributors under the RCMP Superannuation Act.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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TRANSPORT CANADA

Roles and Responsibilities

The Department of Transport carries out its role through a complex structure which includes a headquarters and four operating groups - Marine, Aviation, Airports and Surface transportation activities as well as a number of Crown corporations and agencies with varying degrees of autonomy. Because transportation is so pervasive, and the nature of the department's operations and activities are dynamic, the Department of Transport's regulatory activity is one of the largest and most complex among government departments.

The major regulation-making activities of the department result from Aviation, Airports, Marine and Surface organization responsibilities for providing and operating transportation facilities and services and for ensuring compliance with operating or manufacturing standards and regulations. An important continuing aspect of these responsibilities is to ensure an adequate level of safety in the national transportation system. This necessitates such undertakings as the provision of aids to navigation for aircraft and ships, road/rail crossings, programs to increase safety in commercial and recreational transportation, occupational safety for transportation employees, regulatory and accident investigation activities, security at airports and ports, and all aspects of the transportation of dangerous goods including labelling inspection, movement and accident response. Complementary to these activities are programs aimed at establishing and monitoring safety standards for essential life protection equipment use in transportation - life jackets, seat belts, etc.

The department does not directly administer the economic regulations per se* of the transportation industry, but many transport regulations have an economic impact on the industry and the general public. (*A number of statutes within the portfolio of the Minister of Transport provide for economic regulations but the regulatory provisions in these Acts are administered by the Canadian Transport Commission). The Department of Transport does, however, concern itself with the policy side of regulations which can involve the Aviation, Airports, Marine and Surface organizations, as well as the Policy and Coordination Group, in internal policy development, planning or review activities or as participants in interdepartmental studies.

Departmental components administer a multitude of charges, tariffs and fees, most of which are subject to ongoing review and revision to reflect such factors as changes in operating or administrative costs or the impact of changes in collective agreements.

The federal responsibility with respect to transportation is derived from the jurisdiction outlined in the British North America Act. This responsibility has evolved to include that of coordination and regulation to ensure safety and efficiency with respect to aeronautics and to navigation, shipping facilities, ferries, railways and canals connecting provinces or connecting a province with any foreign country and is exercised through the Department of Transport.

The principal Acts governing departmental activities are the British North America Act, the Department of Transport Act, and National Transportation Act. The provision of certain ferry services is also part of the Minister's mandate. Also the Crown corporation provision of the Financial Administration Act have a significant impact on the interactions between CN, CN Marine Inc., VIA rail and the Departmental Administration Activity. In addition, the following Acts apply:

Canada Shipping Act
Navigable Waters Protection Act
Arctic Waters Pollution Prevention Act
Canada Ports Corporation Act
St. Lawrence Seaway Act
Pilotage Act
Harbour Commissions Act
Toronto Harbour Commissioners Act
Hamilton Harbour Commissioners Act
Public Harbours and Ports Facilities Act
Carriage of Goods by Water Act
Aeronautics Act
Motor Vehicle Safety Act
Motor Vehicle Tire Safety Act
Motor Vehicle Fuel Consumption Standards Act
Motor Vehicle Transport Act
Railway Relocation and Crossing Act
Rail Act
Western Grain Transportation Act
Canadian National Railway Act

TRANSPORT CANADA
DEPARTMENTAL ADMINISTRATION
FINANCE

ROUTINE INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal 551 TC - C 87
551. Amendment to the Air Services Fees Regulations.

Description
Increase various airport and en route fees, effective May 1, 1987, to improve the cost recovery level of the Department's Air Program.

Statutory Authority
Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact
Increased cost to users of air services and facilities provided by the department.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
December 1986.

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Title of Proposal 552 TC - C 87
552. Amendment to the Air Services Fees Regulations (ASFR).

Description
The purpose of this amendment, planned to be effective November 1, 1986, is to reduce outstanding accounts receivable related to fees charged pursuant to the ASFR by adding an interest clause. Transport Canada is under pressure from the Office of the Comptroller General to improve cash flow.

Statutory Authority
Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact
This amendment may result in additional costs to users of air services and facilities if amounts owing Transport Canada are not paid on time. However, the charging of interest on overdue accounts is an accepted business practice. The amendment of the ASFR to include an interest clause may necessitate a similar amendment to

other regulations governing the use of air services and facilities such as the Air Regulations.

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POLICY AND COORDINATION GROUP
STRATEGIC POLICY BRANCH

MAJOR INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **553 TC - A 87**

553. National Transportation Act, 1986 (Proposed Legislation).

Description

New legislation to put into effect the Government's commitment to economic regulatory reform in Canadian transportation. Covers air, rail, truck, bus, northern marine transportation, commodity pipelines, acquisitions of Canadian transportation companies and the creation of a new National Transportation Agency.

Statutory Authority

National Transportation Act, 1986, when passed.

Anticipated Impact

Will make a major change to the way in which the Government regulates all the modes of transportation listed above. Will significantly lift regulatory burden and reduce the degree of government intervention in the economy. Will better balance the interests of shippers, travellers and carriers and result in more competitive prices for transportation and levels of service better adapted to the needs of shippers and travellers.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

This legislation was tabled in June, 1986. It will be retabled in November 1986 with targeted passage in the Spring of 1987 and proclamation on January 1, 1988. Transitional provisions allow for the continuation of regulations under the NTA, 1967, to the extent they are compatible with new legislation. Large number of new regulations will be required, probably in 1988.

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INTERNATIONAL SHIPPING POLICY BRANCH

MAJOR INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **554 TC - A 87**

554. Coasting Trade Act (Proposed Legislation).

Description

New legislation to remove the historical advantage of British (Commonwealth) ships and to extend the jurisdiction to the offshore.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact

Will reserve all Canadian coasting trade and offshore activities to Canadian ships with specific exceptions.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Draft legislation is being prepared and should be ready for introduction in the Fall of 1986. Subject to passage of the new legislation, the proposed regulations will be published in the Canada Gazette as required.

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MOTOR CARRIER BRANCH

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **555 TC - A 87**

555. Regulation concerning the terms and conditions of operating licences for the trucking industry in Canada.

Description

The regulation will lessen the number of restrictions which can be written into trucking licences and provide for uniform restrictions on a national basis.

Federal and provincial ministers of transportation agreed on February 27, 1985 to implement uniform extra-provincial operating licences for the trucking industry.

This regulation will be effective in March 1988 and will sunset on December 31, 1990, to coincide with the introduction of the fitness only entry test on January 1, 1991.

Statutory Authority

Motor Vehicle Transport Act 1986 - Part II. (Proposed Legislation).

Anticipated Impact

This regulatory change reflects the objectives of the Memorandum of Understanding signed by federal and provincial ministers of transportation on February 27, 1985, to streamline trucking licences in Canada making them less restrictive.

Less restrictive operating licences will make the trucking industry more competitive and efficient to the ultimate benefit of both carriers and users.

Operating costs will be reduced for truckers who will benefit from the increased scope of licences providing greater flexibility of route and equipment selection.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1988.

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Title of Proposal **556 TC - A 87**

556. Regulation concerning the responsibilities of applicants for a trucking licence.

Description

To require applicants to provide regulatory agencies with sufficient information to decide if the public interest would be served by granting a licence.

The regulation provides for a transition period during which time a public interest test would be applied to those applicants for new and expanded trucking licences.

The regulation will take effect in March 1988 and will sunset on December 31, 1990, to coincide with the introduction of a fitness only test on January 1, 1991.

Statutory Authority

Motor Vehicle Transport Act 1986 - Part II. (Proposed Legislation).

Anticipated Impact

This action will standardize and minimize the paperburden on applicants during the transition period.

It will also cushion carriers from the full impact of a deregulated environment during the transition period of the regulatory reform process.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **557 TC - A 87**

557. Regulation to provide for the exemption of particular trucking operations from the public interest entry test.

Description
To provide for ease of entry requirements for particular types of trucking operations prior to the introduction of the fitness only entry test on January 1, 1991.

This regulatory change will reflect a term of the Memorandun of Understanding of February 27, 1985, signed by federal and provincial ministers of transportation to implement ease of entry regulation for certain trucking operations in Canada. The change will be effective as of March 1988 and will sunset on December 31, 1990.

Statutory Authority
Motor Vehicle Transport Act 1986 - Part II. (Proposed Legislation).

Anticipated Impact
This regulation will provide for increased flexibility in the use of operating equipment and personnel, and increased competition in selected markets exempt from the public interest test. There will be a cost saving to carriers in terms of reduced regulatory burden.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
January 1988.

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Title of Proposal **558 TC - A 87**

558. Regulation defining fitness criteria for entry into the trucking industry and to implement the fitness test for entry based on compliance with safety standards and adequate insurance coverage.

Description

To ease entry into the trucking industry on a national basis.

To define the term fitness for the regulatory agencies.

To reflect the definition of fitness agreed upon by federal and provincial Ministers.

Effective March 1988.

Statutory Authority

Motor Vehicle Transport Act 1986 - Part II. (Proposed Legislation).

Anticipated Impact

Lessening entry restrictions for the trucking industry. Increased competition, increased operating flexibility, increased choices of service and prices, promote efficiency, and render industry costs competitive with international trading partners.
Greater productivity for the trucking industry and reduced rates and better price options for the users.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1988.

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Title of Proposal **559 TC - A 87**

559. Insurance and bonding requirements.

Description

To be fit to operate a trucking company one must prove financial responsibility; possession of proper insurance and bonding is deemed to do this.

In the beginning only public liability and property damage levels will be prescribed.

Effective March 1988.

Statutory Authority

Motor Vehicle Transport Act 1986 - Part II. (Proposed Legislation).

Anticipated Impact

This will ensure that all operators of heavy vehicles can meet a minimum level of financial responsibility.
Render insurance coverage uniform across Canada.
Minimum impact on the majority of carriers who carry more insurance than minimum.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1988.

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Title of Proposal **560 TC - A 87**

560. Highway Safety Regulations.

Description

To ensure safe operation of heavy vehicles on all highways.

Creation and enforcement of safety standards for drivers, vehicles and employers.

Most enforcement will be carried out by the province.

Effective March 1988.

Statutory Authority

Motor Vehicle Transport Act 1986 - Part II. (Proposed Legislation).

Anticipated Impact

Reduction in number and severity of highway accidents involving heavy vehicles. Reduction in injury and loss of life, in the loss of public and private property, and in medical costs born by the public.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1988.

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Title of Proposal 561 TC - A 87

561. Bus Safety Regulations.

Description

To ensure the safety of passengers, employees and others during operation of a bus by creation of standards for driver, vehicles and owners.

Effective November 1987.

Statutory Authority

National Transportation Act 1986 - Part IV. (Proposed Legislation).

Anticipated Impact

Reduction in the number and severity of intercity bus accidents.

Reduction in injury and loss of life, in the losses of public and private property, and in medical costs born by the public.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

September 1987.

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PASSENGER POLICY AND PROGRAMS BRANCH

MAJOR INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal 562 TC - A 87

562. Terms and Conditions of Government Payment to VIA Rail Canada Inc. (VIA).

Description

The terms and conditions will set out reporting and invoicing requirements for VIA which must be met before payment is made from government funds, and will prescribe payment arrangements and authorities. The terms and conditions will apply to payments for both operating and capital investment expenses.

Statutory Authority

Pursuant to Bill C-97, the proposed National Rail Passenger Transportation Act. First reading February 24, 1986.

Anticipated Impact

Establishment of an appropriate regime of accountability for and government control over payments to VIA.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

September 1987.

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MINOR INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal 563 TC - B 87

563. Labour Assistance Program: VIA Rail Canada Inc. (VIA), Canadian National Railway Co. (CN) and Canadian Pacific Ltd. (CP).

Description

Authorizing the Minister of Transport to make payments to VIA, CN, or CP toward the cost of labour assistance benefits awarded to railway employees. Such benefits include the provision of income maintenance benefits, layoff benefits, relocation expenses, early retirement benefits and severance benefits.

Statutory Authority

Pursuant to Bill C-97, the proposed National Rail Passenger Transportation Act. First reading February 24, 1986.

Anticipated Impact

Minimization of the negative impact on VIA, CN and CP employees resulting from the reduction in frequency or discontinuance of a passenger service, or as a result of functions discontinued by CN or CP and assumed by VIA.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

September 1987.

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TRANSPORTATION OF DISABLED PERSONS PROGRAM

MAJOR INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal 564 TC - A 87

564. Accessibility Standards for Disabled Persons to Transportation Facilities and Services.

Description

Standards are being developed to provide for full participation in and equal access to federally-regulated transportation facilities and services in accordance with Section 15 of the Charter of Rights and Freedoms of the amended Canadian Human Rights Act (CHRA). The standards will be established as regulations under Section 19.1 of the CHRA. There would no legal requirement for carriers to comply with the regulations made under Section 19.1 nor would there be any sanctions for failure to comply. Sanctions would flow from the filing of complaints before the Canadian Human Rights Commission. The Government has also indicated that should there be problems with non-compliance after three years, it would force compliance under the appropriate modal legislation.

Statutory Authority

Canadian Human Rights Act.

Anticipated Impact

This initiative responds to a government promise in its response to recommendation 48 of Equality for All, a report submitted by the Parliamentary Committee on Equality Rights. Over the past five years service providers have been incurring costs in order to make their facilities and services accessible to disabled persons, but for the most part relatively inexpensive alternatives have been used rather than costly retrofits. Disabled persons generally, have accepted these alternatives under the proviso that new purchases and construction will be made accessible. It is expected that the standards will take a similar approach and therefore, while there will be unavoidable economic impact on government and industry service providers, the standards will provide a "reasonable" approach to minimize such impact.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Third quarter, 1987.

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AIRPORTS GROUP

MAJOR INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **565 TC - A 87**

565. Amendments to Government Airport Concession Operations Regulations.

Description

The changes, which may take the form of one or more amendments or new regulations, will permit and regulate the conduct of airport commercial and non-commercial activities. Persons or groups will likely be required to formally seek permission or obtain a license to use the airport premises.

Statutory Authority

Department of Transport Act.

Anticipated Impact

These regulations will allow for necessary controls over the provision of products and services at airports, and over the use of airports as a forum for demonstrations and other expressions of political and social beliefs, taking into account the need for adequate security and traffic flow considerations. There could be new costs involved for affected persons or groups in the form of a nominal license fee but the specifics are yet to be determined.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Spring 1987.

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ROUTINE INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **566 TC - C 87**

566. Amendment to Airport Vehicle Parking Fees Regulations.

Description

To promulgate vehicle parking fees at airports on a semi-anual basis (generally April and October), with the derived revenues to support departmental programs.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact

Added costs to users of airport vehicle parking spaces may be anticipated at certain airports while at others there will be no increases. However, the fees will be structured so as to be generally comparable to those currently charged in the area serviced by the airport.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Proposed changes in parking fees for specific locations affected will be pre-published in the Canada Gazette in the spring and fall of 1987.

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Title of Proposal **567 TC - C 87**

567. Amendment to Airport Ground Transportation Fees Regulations.

Description

There may be a need to update during 1987 the fees charged for ground transportation permits at airports designated by the Minister under Section 4(1) of the Government Airport Concession Operations Regulations (GACORs). The four airports designated by the Minister are Montreal International Airport (Dorval), Montreal International Airport (Mirabel), Quebec Airport and Lester B. Pearson International Airport.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact

Amendments could increase permits fees for ground transportation operators. For example, at Lester B. Pearson International Airport the proposed increase could be from $875 per annum to $1,700 for taxis and $2,000 for limousines. This would be more consistent with the government policy on cost recovery and would take into account 10 years of no increases and changing economic conditiions. Whereas at the other three locations (Mirabel, Dorval, Quebec City) there may be no new charges whatsoever during 1987.

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AVIATION GROUP

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **568 TC - A 87**

568. Air Regulations, Series VIII, Numbers 1 and 2; Air Carrier Security Regulations; Aerodrome Security Regulations.

Description

The regulations form part of the review and revision of aeronautics legislation currently being undertaken by the department. They provide for the approval of security measures to be carried out by air carriers and aerodrome operators. They also regulate the carriage of weapons on aircraft and at aerodromes and for the escort of persons in custody on aircraft.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact

Improvement in security. Many of the anticipated provisions are currently being carried out voluntarily or under other legislative requirements.

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Title of Proposal **569 TC - A 87**

569. Identification, Regulation and Marking of Aircraft Series II, Nos. 1 - 3 regulations.
No. 1 Identification of Aircraft and Aeronautical Products
No. 2 Aircraft Marking and Registration
No. 3 Lease and Interchange of Aircraft.

Description

These regulations form part of the review and revision of the aeronautics legislation currently being carried out by the department. They consolidate existing provisions, and codify relevant departmental policies and practices in relation to the identification of aircraft and aeronautical products and the markings and registration of aircraft. No. 3 provides a system whereby aircraft can be leased without a specific authorizing order.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact

Impact will be minor since most requirements are already in effect, but No. 3 will lead to improved efficiency in commercial operations.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Winter 1987 (Nos. 1 and 2) and Spring 1987 (No. 3).

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Title of Proposal **570 TC - A 87**

570. Aerodromes Regulations - Air Regulations, Series III.
No. 1 Aerodrome Regulations; No. 2 Airport Regulations;
No. 3 Stolport Regulations; No. 4 Heliport Regulations;
No. 5 Water and Ice Airport Regulations.

Description

These regulations will form part of the review and revision of aeronautics legislation currently being carried out by the department. They will consolidate, update and augment existing regulations in order to reflect advances in technology and experience with respect to the certification, operation, physical characteristics, marking and lighting of facilities used for the takeoff and landing of aircraft.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact

The anticipated impact of these regulations is an improvement in safety.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Winter 1987, Nos. 1, 2, 4 and 5 and fall 1987, No. 3 (Stolport Regulations).

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Title of Proposal 571 TC - A 87

571. Personnel Licensing, Air Regulations, Series IV. No. 1 Flight Crew Licence Regulations; No. 2 Air Traffic Controller Licence Regulations; No. 3 Aircraft Maintenance Engineer Licence Regulations; No. 4 Medical Standards and Procedures Regulations.

Description

These regulations form part of the review and revision of the aeronautics legislation currently being carried out by the department. They will prescribe the standards and procedures for the licensing of aviation personnel. The regulations also prescribe the medical standards and procedures for the issue of licence validation certificates to holders of and applicants for flight crew licences and air traffic controller licences.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact

The anticipated impact of these regulations on the Canadian economy as a whole is minimal as they are a codification of standards previously set out in the manuals and guides. The aeronautics industry - the main sector of the economy that will be affected - has been extensively consulted on this initiative and, in particular, on any changes to the standards now being codified.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **572 TC - A 87**

572. Air Operations Regulations.
Air Regulations, Series VI.
No. 1 Interpretation and General Provisions Regulations.
No. 2 Airspace Structure Regulations.
No. 3 Aircraft Requirement Regulations.
No. 4 Pre-flight Inspections Regulations.
No. 5 Aviation Facilities and Services Regulations.
No. 6 Operational Flight Planning Regulations.
No. 7 Flight Plan Filing Regulations.
No. 8 Prohibited and Restricted Cargo Regulations.
No. 9 Transportation of Passengers Regulations.
No. 17 General Flight Rules Regulations.
No. 18 Towing Regulations.
No. 20 Special Aviation Events Regulations.
No. 21 Sport Aviation Regulations.
No. 22 Operation on or in the Vicinity of an Aerodrome Regulations.
No. 23 Emergencies Regulations.
No. 24 Lights and Signals Regulations.
No. 25 Aircraft Lights Regulations.
No. 26 Marshalling Signals Regulations.
No. 27 Identification Zones Regulations.
No. 28 SCATANA Regulations.
No. 29 Communications Regulations.
No. 30 Use of Equipment Regulations.
No. 31 Inflight Weather Report Regulations.
No. 32 Speed Restrictions Regulations.
No. 33 Altimeter Setting and Operating Rules Regulations.
No. 34 Sonic and Supersonic Flight Regulations.
No. 35 Special Purpose Operations Regulations.
No. 36 Aircraft Operations on Water Regulations.
No. 37 Cruising Altitude Regulations.
No. 41 VFR Regulations.
No. 46 IFR Regulations.
No. 51 Flight Plan Closing Regulations.
No. 52 ELT Check Regulations.
No. 53 Reports and Log Entries Regulations.
No. 54 Security Aircraft Regulations.
No. 55 Overdue Aircraft Regulations.
No. 56 Downed Aircraft Procedures Regulations.
No. 57 Accident and Damage Reporting Regulations.

Description

These regulations are part of the review and revision of the aeronautics legislation currently being carried out by the department. They consolidate various regulations, orders and departmental policies and practices that govern an individual's conduct while operating an aircraft.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact

No substantial impact is anticipated since most of the requirements of the proposed regulations are already in effect.

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Title of Proposal **573 TC - A 87**

573. Commercial Air Operations - Air Regulations, Series VII.
No. 1 Interpretation and General Provisions Regulations.
No. 2 Air Carriers Using Large Aeroplanes Regulations.
No. 3 Air Carriers Using Small Aeroplanes Regulations.
No. 4 Air Carriers Conducting Specialty Aerial Operations Regulations.
No. 5 Air Carriers Operating Flight Training Establishment Regulations.
No. 6 Air Carriers Using Rotorcraft Regulations.
No. 7 Air Carriers Flight Operations Regulations.
No. 8 Air Carriers Aircraft Maintenance Regulations.
No. 9 Air Carriers Certification Requirements.
No. 10 Flight Training Equipment Regulations.
No. 11 Operation of Foreign Air Carriers Regulations.
No. 12 Powers of Inspectors Regulations.

Description

These regulations form part of the review and revision of the aeronautics legislation currently being carried out by the department. They consolidate existing regulations, orders and departmental policies relating to the certification and operation of commercial air services.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact

No substantial impact is anticipated since most of the requirements of the proposed regulations are already in effect.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **574 TC - A 87**

574. Air Regulations, Series V, Airworthiness Regulations.
  - No. 1 General Regulations on Procedures, Flight Authority, Import and Export.
  - No. 2 Aeronautical Product Design Regulations.
  - No. 3 Aeronautical Product Manufacture and Distribution Regulations.
  - No. 4 Aeronautical Product Maintenance Regulations.
  - No. 5 Continuing Airworthiness Regulations.

Description

These regulations form part of the review and revision of the aeronautics legislation currently being undertaken by the department. They will revise, consolidate, update and augment material contained in existing regulations, air navigation orders, standards and practices in order to reflect advances in technology and experience with respect to the design, manufacture, distribution, approval, certification and maintenance of aeronautical products.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact

These regulations will promote safety and increase efficiency of the Canadian airworthiness system. They will create greater similarities between the Canadian seaworthiness regulatory system and those of other states which, in an international industry, should promote greater efficiency in both public and private sector relations.

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MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal 575 TC - B 87

575. Smoking Ban on Certain Aircraft Flights Air Regulation 707.

Description

This amendment will ban smoking on commercial aircraft carrying passengers on a unit toll basis on flights with a scheduled flight time of two hours or less between its original departure and final destination.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact

The amendment will result in improvement of passenger comfort and crew health. The impact on competitive position may be positive or negative.

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Title of Proposal 576 TC - B 87

576. Insurance for Private Aircraft. Air Regulations, Series VI, No. 10.

Description

These regulations will impose minimum insurance requirements in respect of aircraft not currently required to be insured by the Air Carrier Regulations.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact

These regulations will increase the cost of owning an aircraft by the amount of insurance premiums.

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Title of Proposal **577 TC - B 87**

577. Protective Breathing Equipment (PBE) for crew of large aeroplanes.

Description

Current PBE has proven inadequate in in-flight cabin fire/smoke situations. It is proposed to promulgate an Air Navigation Order requiring that large aeroplanes be equipped with PBE equipment which provides improved crew member visual and respiratory protection as an active countermeasure against the hazards of in-flight fires.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact

The proposed order will result in improved safety. No significant costs are anticipated as a result since the proposed order will apply to new aircraft only. The requirements will be equivalent to those imposed by the United States, and aircraft are usually manufactured to the United States' standards.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Fall 1987 or concurrently with publication of parallel requirements by the Federal Aviation Administration of the United States (FAA).

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Title of Proposal **578 TC - B 87**

578. Fire protection requirements for cargo and baggage compartments of large aeroplanes.

Description

Current requirements have proven inadequate in typical cargo and baggage compartment fire scenarios. It is proposed to promulgate an Air Navigation Order requiring that the cargo and baggage compartments of large aeroplanes be equipped with materials which meet upgraded flammability standards.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact

The proposed order will result in improved safety. No significant costs are anticipated as a result since the proposed order will apply to new aircraft only. The requirements will be equivalent to those imposed by the United States, and aircraft are usually manufactured to the United States' standards.

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Title of Proposal **579 TC - B 87**

579. Improved Flammability Standards for materials used in the interiors of large aeroplanes.

Description

Current requirements have proven inadequate in in-flight cabin fire situations. It is proposed to promulgate an Air Navigation Order requiring that large aeroplanes be equipped with interior materials which meet upgraded flammability standards.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact

The proposed order will result in improved safety. No significant costs are anticipated as a result since the proposed order will apply to new aircraft only. The requirements will be equivalent to those imposed by the United States, and aircraft are usually manufactured to the United States' standards.

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Title of Proposal **580 TC - B 87**

580. Mandatory Communications Order, Air Navigation Order Series V, No. 34.

Description

The Dubin Commission on Aviation Safety recommended that aircraft operating under visual flight conditions at uncontrolled aerodromes be required to broadcast on specified radio frequencies. The proposed order sets out the mandatory reporting requirements.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact

Nil. Implementation of the procedure in the order will enhance flight safety in the vicinity of uncontrolled aerodromes.

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Title of Proposal **581 TC - B 87**

581. Aeronautical Communications Standards and Procedures Order, Air Navigation Order, Series I, No. 1.

Description

Air Navigation Order, Series I, No. 1 does not permit aircraft operating outside the Montreal Flight Information Region, but still over Quebec, to use the French language. The proposed amendment will permit the use of the French language anywhere in the province of Quebec.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact

The proposal has no economic impact, and will increase the Canadian airspace in which the French language may be used.

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Title of Proposal **582 TC - B 87**

582. Aircraft Seats, Safety Belts and Safety Harnesses Order, Air Navigation Order, Series II, No. 2.

Description

This order will be amended to require shoulder harnesses for flight crew and flight attendants, to allow for the use of infant restraint systems and impose requirements for their use.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact

The amendments are expected to substantially increase flight safety and crash survivability. The proposed changes are expected to cost in the area of $100 per seat.

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Title of Proposal **583 TC - B 87**

583. Aircraft Noise Operating Restrictions Order, Air Navigation Order, Series II, No. 27.

Description

This order will be amended to strengthen the section on exemptions for training purposes and to clarify the point that the Canada Air Pilot can contain noise abatement procedures and noise control requirements which could restrain training. The amendment also adds Edmonton International and Calgary International airports to the schedule of airports where noise operating restrictions are in effect.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact

The amendment will increase safety by making it easier to provide for training. The extension of the noise restrictions to Edmonton and Calgary airports will improve the environment in those areas.

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Title of Proposal **584 TC - B 87**

584. Transponder and Automatic Pressure Altitude Recording Order, Air Navigation Order, Series II, No. 10.

Description

This order will be amended to require transponders and automatic pressure altitude reporting equipment on board aeroplanes within certain areas of Canadian airspace.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact

This amendment will lead to a more efficient air traffic service. Most aircraft affected by the amendment already have such equipment. This order will affect no more than 10 per cent of existing aircraft. The average cost for installation is from $500 to $1,000.

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Title of Proposal **585 TC - B 87**

585. Ground Proximity Warning System Order, Air Navigation Order, Series II, No. 22.

Description

A new order will be made requiring turbo-jet aeroplanes to install ground proximity warning systems in order to improve flight safety.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact

This order will increase flight safety. Most aircraft affected by the order already have the required equipment (approximate installation cost $100,000).

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **586 TC - B 87**

586. Flight Data Recorder Order,
Air Navigation Order, Series II, No. 13.

Description

This order will be amended to reflect current practices in aviation by revising the parameters that are to be recorded, requiring state aircraft to be equipped with a flight data recorder and providing for certain exemptions.

statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact

This amendment will improve safety. Costs will be minor since the amendment reflects practices that are currently carried out by the industry.

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Title of Proposal **587 TC - B 87**

587. Cockpit Voice Recorder Order,
Air Navigation Order, Series II, No. 14.

Description

This order will be amended to require state aircraft to be equipped with a cockpit voice recorder and to provide for exemptions so that the order will accord with current aviation practices.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact

The amendment will improve aviation safety. No costs will be involved since affected aircraft are already equipped with recorders.

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Title of Proposal **588 TC - B 87**

588. Issuance of Flight Permits for Private Helicopters, Air
Navigation Order, Series II, No. 3.

Description

The establishment of a rotorcraft industry in Canada makes it necessary to provide for the issuance of flight permits for flights of experimental or prototype rotorcraft. The order will be amended to provide for these permits.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact

The amendment will encourage the rotorcraft industry in Canada by making the testing of its products easier.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **589 TC - B 87**

589. Noise Requirements for Rotorcraft, Air Navigation Order, Series II, No. 21.

Description

This order will be amended so that its requirements apply to helicopters as well as aircraft.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact

Improvement in airport public environment.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **590 TC - B 87**

590. Carry-on Baggage Order.

Description

This amendment will increase flight safety by placing tighter control and restrictions on the amount of carry-on baggage brought on board aircraft.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact

Increase flight safety. The policy will likely lead to changes in check-in procedures which should have little or no cost implications.

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Title of Proposal 591 TC - B 87

591. Flight Data and Cockpit Voice Recorders Requirements for Rotorcraft, Air Navigation Orders, Series II, No. 13 and 14.

Description

These orders will be revised to implement new ICAO (International Civil Aviation Organization) requirements for helicopters to be equipped with these recorders.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact

Safety will be improved. Financial impact will be minimal since the requirements will apply only to helicopters manufactured after they come into effect.

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Title of Proposal 592 TC - B 87

592. Primary Category Aeroplanes.

Description

New measures will regulate standards of airworthiness for aircraft recreational vehicles including ultralights.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact

The measures will allow industry to design and manufacture small aircraft with simplified procedures at lower costs without decreasing safety and will improve safety of ultralights.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **593 TC - B 87**

593. Alcohol Blood Levels in Crew, Air Regulation 409.

Description

This section will be amended to prohibit a person from acting as a crew member of an aircraft while he has a blood alcohol level above zero per cent.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact

This will produce an improvement in safety. No additional costs because this will continue to be a part of the existing enforcement program.

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Title of Proposal **594 TC - B 87**

594. Intoxicated Passengers, Air Regulation 823.

Description

This section will be amended to provide that no person who appears to be intoxicated or under the influence of drugs is to be permitted on board an aircraft for the purpose of flight.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact

The amendment will increase flight safety at no additional cost.

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Title of Proposal **595 TC - B 87**

595. Life Saving Equipment Order, Air Navigation Order, Series II, No. 8.

Description
The order will be amended to allow collective storage of life jackets on large aircraft and allow some multi-engine aircraft to operate without life jackets up to 50 miles or gliding distance from shore.

Statutory Authority
Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact
The amendment will allow the more effective and efficient use of aircraft.

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Title of Proposal **596 TC - B 87**

596. Design Requirements for Small Aeroplanes.

Description
A new Air Navigation Order will be made to implement design requirements for small aeroplanes with a maximum takeoff weight above 5,700 kg and a 10 - 19 passenger seating configuration in order to bring Canadian requirements for these aircraft into line with those of the United States.

Statutory Authority
Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact

The impact will be slight since the order will apply to a limited number of new aircraft which would in any case be manufactured to the United States' standard.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **597 TC - B 87**

597. Category III Operations, Air Regulations 555.

Description

This regulation will be amended to include provisions and rules applicable to CAT III operating minima to allow Instrument Flight Rules aircraft to operate in specified weather conditions.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact

This amendment will have a positive effect on commercial aviation by increasing the types of weather conditions under which it may operate.

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Title of Proposal **598 TC - B 87**

598. "Police Authority", Air Regulation 534(1).

Description

This amendment will redefine "Police Authority" to allow Department of Fisheries and other government inspectors to fly or be flown at lower than prescribed minima in the course of their duties.

Statutory Authority
Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact
This amendment will be positive to the fishing industry in that it will allow inspectors to better perform their duties.

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Title of Proposal **599 TC - B 87**
599. Flight Time Limitations for Cabin Attendants, Air Regulation 410.

Description
This amendment will provide minimum rest periods and duty time limitations for cabin attendants in the same manner as flight crew members.

Statutory Authority
Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact
Increased flight safety will result. There could be increased costs to air carriers if the limitations require hiring of extra crew.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **600 TC - B 87**
600. Cabin Attendants Fitness.

Description
A new regulation will be made to ensure that cabin attendants are in a fit state and able to peform assigned emergency duties and provide leadership during evacuation.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact

The establishment of fitness standards will improve flight safety.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **601 TC - B 87**

601. Omissions from Technical Log, Air Regulation 831.

Description

In order to maintain the airworthiness of aircraft, certain activities must be performed at specified times and be recorded in the aircraft's log. The regulation will be amended to provide that where there is no entry in the log concerning works for which an entry was required, the nonentry will be proof that the work was not performed.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact

The amendment will improve enforcement of the airworthiness requirements relating to aircraft.

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Title of Proposal **602 TC - B 87**

602. Aircraft maximum weight and loading, Air Regulation 218.

Description

Air Regulation 218 is inconsistent with current practice and it is difficult to enforce. The regulation will be amended to bring it into line with current practices.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact

There will be no impact since the amendment will bring the regulation into accord with the current situation.

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Title of Proposal **603 TC - B 87**

603. Issuance of "blanket" Flight Permits, Air Regulation 211(5).

Description

The present practice of issuing "blanket" flight permits is not clearly enabled in the Air Regulation 211(5). The amendment will clearly enable this practice.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact

Nil.

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Title of Proposal **604 TC - B 87**

604. Extended Range Operations,
Air Carriers Using Large Aeroplanes Order,
Air Navigation Order, Series VII, No. 2.

Description

This amendment will allow certain twin-engine aircraft to be operated more than 60 minutes, one engine inoperative, from an adequate airport if certain operations specifications are met.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact

This amendment will positively affect the commercial aviation sector by allowing more efficient use of certain aircraft.

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Title of Proposal **605 TC - B 87**

605. Hang Glider and Ultra Light Aeroplane Operations, Order Air Navigation Order, Series V, No. 24.

Description

In order to better regulate the growing use of ultra light aircraft, this order will be amended to require that a person giving dual instruction in an ultra light aeroplane has the appropriate licence. It will allow these aircraft to operate in controlled airspace in specified circumstances.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact

These amendments will allow broader use of these aircraft. No additional cost because instructors are already required to have a licence.

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Title of Proposal **606 TC - B 87**

606. IFR Flight Instruments and Equipment Order Amendment to Air Navigation Order, Series V, No. 22 and revocation Air Navigation Order, Series II, No. 18.

Description

These amendments are intended to revise and update the instrument communication and navigation systems required for instrument flight to reflect those presently in use.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact

This amendment will enhance flight safety. Costs will be minimal since the amendments are intended to bring the law into accord with current practices.

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Title of Proposal **607 TC - B 87**

607. Aircraft Journey Log Order,
Air Navigation Order, Series VIII, No. 2.

Description

This order will be amended to provide that a less detailed log must be kept in respect of a private aircraft. There will also be provision for the log to be kept on a computer.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact

This amendment will ease the regulatory burden for operators of private aircraft. It will have a positive effect on commercial aviation by allowing the use of current record-keeping technology, thus increasing efficiency and reducing costs.

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Title of Proposal **608 TC - B 87**
608. Rights of Way on Water, Air Regulation 536.

Description
This regulation will be amended to correct a perceived inconsistency between "right-of-way" rules of maritime and aviation regulations.

Statutory Authority
Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact
Nil.

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Title of Proposal **609 TC - B 87**
609. Oxygen Equipment Order,
Air Navigation Order, Series II, No. 9.

Description
This amendment will simplify and clarify the order by providing one specific formula for calculating the oxygen requirements for any aircraft.

Statutory Authority
Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact
The amendment will increase flight safety. No costs are anticipated.

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Title of Proposal 610 TC - B 87
610. Special Aviation Events Safety Order,
Air Navigation Order, Series V, No. 30.

Description
The Special Aviation Events Safety Order is being updated to reflect current industry requirements, to clarify standards and to be more specific about the responsibilities of those involved in the organization and operation of the event.

Statutory Authority
Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact
Nil.

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Title of Proposal 611 TC - B 87
611. Aircraft Maintenance Engineer Privileges Order,
Air Navigation Order, Series IV, No. 6.

Description
This order will be amended to correct existing anomalies and achieve consistency with the certification requirements of the Airworthiness Manual.

Statutory Authority
Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact
Nil.

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Title of Proposal **612 TC - B 87**
612. Personnel Licences Order, Pilot Licence Privileges Order, Air Navigation Order, Series IV, Nos. 1 and 2.

Description
Currently the Personnel Licensing Handbook, which is incorporated by reference in the Air Regulations, establishes qualifications for the issue of flight engineers licences and balloon, glider and ultra light pilot licences. There is no mention of these licences or the privileges attached thereto in the Air Navigation Orders and they will be amended to correct this omission.

Statutory Authority
Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact
Nil.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **613 TC - B 87**
613. Air Carriers Using Large Aeroplanes Order, Air Navigation Order, Series VII, No. 2.

Description
Subsection 5(1) of the order will be amended to require air carriers governed by the order to appoint chief cabin attendant or equivalent who will be responsible for the development and supervision of the required training and procedures relating to certain attendants.

Statutory Authority
Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact

The amendment will provide regulatory control for existing practices. Any additional cost should be minimal since major carriers already have a position of this nature and many smaller ones have them as well.

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Title of Proposal **614 TC - B 87**

614. Special VFR Flight Order,
Air Navigation Order, Series V, No. 1.

Description

The proposal will simplify and clarify the existing order by eliminating unenforceable weather minima and operational conditions from its requirements.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact

Nil.

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Title of Proposal **615 TC - B 87**

615. Private Aircraft Flight Permit Order,
Air Navigation Order, Series II, No. 3.

Description

This order will be amended to provide for consistency with the Certificate of Airworthiness Order and to permit the introduction of standardized maintenance requirements in the Airworthiness Manual.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact

Nil.

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Title of Proposal **616 TC - B 87**

616. Foreign Ultra Light Aircraft, Air Regulation 200.

Description

The regulation will be amended to permit foreign ultra light aeroplanes to be flown in Canada without their having to be registered in Canada.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact

This amendment will remove restrictions on the operation of foreign ultra light aircraft in Canada.

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Title of Proposal **617 TC - B 87**

617. Certificate of Airworthiness Order,
Air Navigation Order, Series II, No. 4.

Description

This order will be amended to make it consistent with the Journey Log Order (Air Navigation Order, Series VIII, No. 2) and the definitions chapter of the Airworthiness Manual.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact

Nil.

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Title of Proposal **618 TC - B 87**

618. Aircraft Rights of Way, Air Regulation 530.

Description

This amendment will correct a perceived lack of explicit rules regarding right of way rules between two power driven heavier-than-air aircraft or between two motorless heavier-than-air aircraft and change "airport" to "aerodrome".

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact

Nil.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **619 TC - B 87**

619. Emergency Radio Frequency and Visual Interception Signals Order, Air Navigation Order, Series V, No. 27.

Description

This amendment will relieve balloons, gliders and ultra light from the requirement to carry interceptions signals on board aircraft.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact

This amendment will reduce the regulatory burden on owners of these types of aircraft.

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Title of Proposal **620 TC - B 87**

620. Flight Restrictions, National, Provincial and Municipal Parks Order, Air Navigation Order, Series V, No. 10.

Description

A general aviation study recommended that this order be revoked and that aviation activities be governed by the same authority as other park activities. The revocation will proceed in stages as the appropriate park authority indicates willingness.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact

Nil.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **621 TC - B 87**

621. Air Carriers Order, Air Navigation Order, Series VII, Nos. 2, 3 and 6.

Description

These orders will be amended to clearly state that the Minister is required to issue an operating certificate to an applicant where the Canadian Transport Commission licence has been issued and the applicant meets the requirements in the orders. There will be other routine amendments to the orders to bring them into accord with the current situation.

Statutory Authority
Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact
Nil.

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Title of Proposal **622 TC - B 87**
622. Commercial Air Operations,
Air Regulations, 211, 700, 701, 702, 703 and 706.

Description
These regulations will be amended so that they will not apply to commercial air services exempted from the requirements of section 16 of the Aeronautics Act by the Canadian Transport Commission. The amendments will also clearly state that the requirements apply to the commercial operation of Canadian registered aircraft outside of Canada.

Statutory Authority
Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact
These amendments will lessen the regulatory impact on commercial air services that are exempted from Canadian Transport Commission requirements. In addition, they will clarify the requirements with respect to foreign operation of Canadian aircraft.

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Title of Proposal **623 TC - B 87**
623. Insurance for Specialty Commercial Operations.

Description

Once the National Transportation Act, 1986, is passed, there will be no economic regulation of certain types of commercial air operations and consequently no further power to require them to be insured under that act. New regulations will be made under the Aeronautics Act to continue insurance requirements for such regulations.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact

There will be no impact since the regulations will continue the existing situation.

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Title of Proposal **624 TC - B 87**
624. Specialized Helicopter Operations, Air Regulation 516.

Description

The regulation will be amended to require a ministerial authorization for persons to be transported externally in flight in order to provide for operations such as tree cone harvesting and powerline repair.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact

This amendment will benefit industry by allowing it to use innovative methods in carrying on its operations.

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Title of Proposal **625 TC - B 87**

625. Commercial Use of Model Aircraft, Air Regulation 512.

Description

This amendment will allow the use of pilotless aircraft (drones) in certain commercial activities such as surveying.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact

This amendment will allow innovative uses of such aircraft in commercial activities.

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Title of Proposal **626 TC - B 87**

626. Orders Respecting Security, Air Regulation 104.

Description

This regulation will be amended to authorize the Minister to make orders respecting security measures to be established, maintained and carried out at aerodromes and by air carriers in order to permit the Minister to make such orders when necessary.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact

This amendment will have no immediate impact although orders made pursuant to the amended regulation may do so.

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Title of Proposal **627 TC - B 87**

627. Operation of State Aircraft, Air Navigation Order, Series I, No. 2.

Description

This order will be amended to apply to state aircraft operated by the provinces and that are used for carrying passengers if those aircraft are not being operated in accordance with the orders dealing with commercial aircraft. The aircraft will thus be required to meet certain standards and follow certain procedures.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact

This amendment will improve safety by requiring state aircraft to comply with requirements intended to preserve safety.

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Title of Proposal **628 TC - B 87**

628. Standards and Procedures for Flight Training Units Air Regulation 403.

Description

The Dubin Commission on Aviation Safety recommended that standards and procedures be developed for the provision of flight training by organizations and individuals to applicants for flight crew licences and ratings. This amendment will allow for the incorporation of these standards and procedures as set out in the Personnel Licensing Handbook.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact

This amendment will improve safety. Costs will be minimal since the amendment reflects practices that are currently carried out by the industry.

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Title of Proposal **629 TC - C 87**

629. Designated Provisions Regulations, Air Regulations, Series I, No. 3.

Description

These regulations designate provisions for the infraction of which the Minister may assess an administrative monetary penalty. The designations will be amended to accord with amendments made to the designated provisions.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact

Nil.

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Title of Proposal **630 TC - C 87**

630. Elimination of Use of Director General, Civil Aviation Air Regulations, Air Navigation Orders.

Description

Since this position no longer exists, references to it in the legislation will be changed to name other appropriate persons.

Statutory Authority
Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact
Nil.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **631 TC - C 87**

631. Revisions for English/French consistency, Air Regulations, Air Navigation Orders.

Description
These amendments will be made so that the English and French versions of legislation will be consistent.

Statutory Authority
Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact
Nil.

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Title of Proposal **632 TC - C 87**

632. Cruising Altitudes Order, Air navigation Order, Series V, No. 2.

Description
This amendment replaces the current requirement for a ministerial authorization for an exemption from the order's requirements with an identification of circumstances where the order will not apply.

Statutory Authority
Aeronautics Act and Air Regulations.

Anticipated Impact
This amendment will benefit the industry and Transport Canada by eliminating an unnecessary administrative process.

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Title of Proposal **633 TC - C 87**
633. Deletion of references to Federal Aviation Regulations (FAR), Joint Airworthiness Requirements (JAR) and International Civil Aviation Organization (ICAO) from the Air Regulations.

Description
The creation of the Airworthiness Manual which sets out all airworthiness standards for Canadian aircraft makes the incorporation by reference in the Air Regulations of standards in the FARs, JARs and ICAO unnecessary.

Statutory Authority
Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact
Nil.

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Title of Proposal **634 TC - C 87**
634. Landplanes, Air Regulation 539.

Description
This amendment will clearly state that a landplane includes a helicopter equipped with emergency floats.

Statutory Authority
Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact
Nil.

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Title of Proposal **635 TC - C 87**
635. Boundary Changes, Air Navigation Orders.

Description
A number of Air Navigation Orders set out rules and bounds descriptions of boundaries for various types of airspace. When these boundaries are changed, for reasons unrelated to the orders, the order must be amended to accord with the changes.

Statutory Authority
Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact
Nil.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **636 TC - C 87**
636. Suspension or Cancellation of Licences,
Air Regulations 208(7), 213(b), 213(c), 304, 704(b).

Description
These regulations will be re-enacted under section 5.8 of the Aeronautics Act. These provisions were inadvertently revoked by section 8 of the act when sections 5.7 to 6.2 of the act came into effect. Section 8 was intended to revoke those provisions that included grounds for suspension or cancellation that were set out in sections 5.9 to 6.1 of the act. Since these provisions set out different grounds, they will be re-enacted under the new authorizing section.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact

These provisions will maintain the existing system.

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Title of Proposal 637 TC - C 87

637. Airport Zoning Regulations for Buttonville, Carp, Charlottetown, Cranbrook, Dawson Creek, Kenora, Moncton, Pembroke, Red Lake, St. Anthony and Yarmouth.

Description

These regulations limit the height of buildings, structures and objects, including objects of natural growth, and prohibit waste disposal sites on lands adjacent to or in the vicinity of the airports.

Statutory Authority

Aeronautics Act.

Anticipated Impact

These regulations only affect those landowners who hold property adjacent to or in the immediate vicinity of the airports and have no impact on the general society or the economy.

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Title of Proposal 638 TC - A 87

638. Marine Machinery and Electrical Equipment Regulations.

Description

This is an update of Marine Machinery Regulations providing for the safe construction, installation and inspection of ship's machinery. It combines a number of existing regulations and takes into account the requirements of the 1974 Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) Convention, its 1978 Protocol, 1981 Amendment and 1983 Amendments which are now in force internationally.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact

The new regulations combine a number of existing regulations and where possible utilize the rules and codes of International Marine Classification Societies, thus reducing the paperburden imposed on industry. The existing regulations are obsolescent and the new regulations take into account modern marine technology and the latest requirements of the International Maritime Organization thus allowing industry to take advantage of modern techniques.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **639 TC - A 87**

639. Certification Regulations - revision.

Description

In consequence of the anticipated amendment of the Canada Shipping Act by Bill C-75, and to implement the provisions of the International Convention on Standards of Training, Certification and Watchkeeping for Seafarers, 1978, all current regulations dealing with qualifications for ships' personnel, five in number, are to be revoked and their provisions amended to reflect the above convention, consolidated into these Certification Regulations. It is planned to come into effect as soon as possible after amendment of the Act.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act (Proposed Bill C-75).

Anticipated Impact

As these sections are largely a consolidation of existing regulations, changes are limited to provisions which implement the convention and which are not presently a feature of the Canadian crew certification system. These actions are designed to increase the safety of ship operations by improving the qualifications and proficiency of key crew members. No impacts are anticipated in employment, paperburden or regional balance. The total estimated cost of these additional measures is $23.5 million over a five-year period or approximately $4.7 million annually.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **640 TC - A 87**

640. Manning Regulations - revision.

Description

In consequence of the anticipated amendment of the Canada Shipping Act by Bill C-75, and in concert with the revision of the Certification Regulations, all current regulations, four in number, dealing with the manning of ships, and the carriage of these certificated persons, are to be revoked and their provisions consolidated in the Ship Manning Regulations. Provisions to be deleted from the Act by Bill C-75 are also be included as are manning matters now contained in three other regulations.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act (Proposed Bill C-75).

Anticipated Impact

As these sections are almost wholly a consolidation of existing provisions, there will be no sigificant social or economic cost impact.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal 641 TC - A 87

641. Regulations for Determining Gross and Net Tonnage of Ships.

Description

Regulations are required to give effect to the International Convention on Tonnage Measurement of Ships, 1969 which came into force in July 1982. Though Canada is not yet a party to the convention, it will be advantageous to have regulations prepared in advance of acceptance so that the provisions of the convention can be implemented at the earliest possible date after Canadian accession to the convention.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act (Proposed Bill C-75).

Anticipated Impact

The regulations will standardize the means of measuring ships' tonnage, reduce the paperburden and provide acceptance of tonnages of ships from other countries. Shipowners will have the option of retaining existing tonnage figures until 1994, or may convert to the new system before that date. Costs for remeasurement will vary with size, in the range $150 - $3,500 per vessel. There will be no additional cost impact for new vessels.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal 642 TC - A 87

642. Hull Construction Regulations - amendment.

Description

The Hull Construction Regulations presently in force include requirements for the stability and subdivision of passenger ships in accordance with the International Convention for the Safety of Life at Sea, 1960 (SOLAS).

Primary purpose of the proposed amendment is to implement the updated requirements of SOLAS 1974, as amended by the 1978 Protocol to the Convention and resolutions MSC 1 (XLV) and MSC 6 (48) of the International Maritime Organization.

Statutory Authority
Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact
These amendments reflect technological developments in ship design, and should have no significant impact with respect to ship construction costs. There will be no direct impact on any other sector of the Canadian society or economy.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **643 TC - A 87**
643. Life Saving Equipment Regulations - Amendment.

Description
This is a safety related issue addressing lifesaving equipment on ships.

A major revision to Chapter III of SOLAS 1974 became effective on July 1, 1986. Canada is a signatory to this convention and must comply with the new requirements.

Revision of the subject regulations will bring Canadian legislation in line with SOLAS.

Statutory Authority
Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact
The new regulations will be easier for the user to understand. Canadian ships will be accepted in foreign Convention ports as being in compliance. Canadian manufacturers of lifesaving equipment will meet international standards and be able to sell abroad. Passengers and crews of Canadian ships will be better protected in the event of a marine emergency. Additional

costs imposed by these amendments are tentatively estimated to be in the region of $500,000 maximum per vessel for those ships required to comply, depending upon the owner's selection of equipment (new vessels only).

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **644 TC - A 87**
644. Pollution Prevention Regulations.

Description
There is a need to protect the marine environment from pollution by ships, originating from the operational and accidental discharges of pollutants, such as oil, chemicals, sewage and garbage.

The department is introducing new regulations to give effect to the provisions of the International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships, 1973 and its 1978 Protocol (MARPOL 73/78).

Annex I of MARPOL deals with oil and the final draft of the new Canadian oil pollution prevention regulations has been completed. Draft regulations for bulk chemicals, which are covered by Annex II of MARPOL, are scheduled for completion by January 1987. Annexes III, IV and V of MARPOL 73/78, dealing with packaged chemicals, sewage and garbage respectively, are noncompulsory annexes and will not be immediately accepted by Canada on accession to MARPOL 73/78.

It is intended, however, to introduce Canadian regulations for the control of sewage discharges from commercial ships outside Great Lakes waters by December 1987, to complement the current regulations, prohibiting the discharge of garbage in Canadian waters.

Statutory Authority
Canada Shipping Act (Proposed Bill C-75).

Anticipated Impact
Whether or not Canada accedes to the MARPOL Convention, all international shipping, including Canadian ships, will be required to be equipped with MARPOL equipment as a condition of acceptance in foreign ports. Ten-year cost

expenditures, totalling $12.36m, have been estimated for implementing the Annex I (Oil Pollution Prevention) provisions of MARPOL. Detailed cost analyses for Annex II (Chemical) provisions have not yet been carried out, but could be in the area of $500k per chemical tanker, of which only a few operate under Canadian flag. Freight rates due to MARPOL costs may rise in future years and will be passed on to consumers in the form of higher delivered commodity prices. This cost rise will occur whether or not Canada accedes to MARPOL, since all ships will be required to comply. Social benefits will accrue through a cleaner marine environment and should be manifest in improved fish stocks, lower water treatment costs, improved recreational amenities and health and aesthetic improvements.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

April 1987 - Parts 1 and 2 (oil and bulk chemicals).

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Title of Proposal **645 TC - A 87**

645. Fire Detection and Extinguishing Equipment Regulations - amendment.

Description

This is an update of existing regulations to improve fire detection and extinguishing equipment aboard ships. It takes into account findings from ship accident inquiries and requirements of the 1974 Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) Convention, its 1978 Protocol and Amendments which are now in force internationally.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact

It is anticipated that the impact of these revised regulations will incur some additional costs on industry. The inclusion of "state of the art" firefighting technology will, however, allow industry to take advantage of more efficient and cost effective techniques.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **646 TC - A 87**

646. Regulations Respecting Vessel Traffic Services in selected Canadian Waters and Arctic Shipping Safety Control Zones.

Description

To provide effectively for safety of vessels in Canadian waters and to adequately protect the environment, there is a requirement to apply national standards for vessel traffic services through the application of common regulations throughout Canada in place of the existing mix of mandatory and voluntary rules.

Development and promulgation of the Vessel Traffic Services Regulations are contingent upon amendments to the Canada Shipping Act being passed.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act (Proposed Bill C-75).

Anticipated Impact

The proposal will contribute to the safety of the seafaring segment of Canadian society and the protection of the Canadian marine environment.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **647 TC - A 87**

647. Emergency Position Indicating Radio Beacon Regulations (EPIRBs).

Description

This is a safety-related issue providing improved means of finding survivors of shipping casualties. The 1983 amendments to SOLAS 1974, Chapter III, require carriage of EPIRBs on Convention ships. A need to improve the ability to locate ships in distress and survivors of shipwrecks has been identified. Carriage requirements for ships to be fitted with indicating radio beacons will be addressed. (See Priority No. 12 re: EPIRB's Performance

Statutory Authority
Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact
Manufacturing sales and service of EPIRBs will be facilitated. The $500 to $1,000 cost per EPIRB required to be carried will be borne by the user. Improved search and rescue will result, combined with substantial savings in manpower and equipment.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **648 TC - A 87**
648. Liquefied Gas Carrier Regulations.

Description
To provide regulations for the safe construction and equipping of ships carrying liquefied gases in bulk based on the provisions of the International Maritime Organizations (IMO) Codes for such vessels.

Statutory Authority
Canada Shipping Act (Proposed Bill C-75).

Anticipated Impact
International shipping is presently complying with IMO Liquefied Gas Carrier Codes. Limited application to Canadian flag ships. Extent of cost implications will be determined using regulatory impact analysis statement.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **649 TC - A 87**
649. Ship Station Technical Regulations, "Performance Standards for Emergency Position-Indicating Radio Beacons" (EPIRBs).

Description

This is a safety-related issue providing improved means of finding survivors of shipping casualties, addressed by 1983 amendments to SOLAS 1974, Chapters III and IV, dealing with carriage and requirements for EPIRBs on Convention ships. A need to improve the ability to locate ships in distress and survivors of shipwrecks has been identified. Performance standards for EPIRBs to be fitted on board ships. Intended date of implementation is May 1988. (See Priority No. 10 re: Carriage requirements for EPIRBs).

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact

Improved safety of life at sea and more efficient use of Search and Rescue (SAR) resources. Opportunity for Canadian industry to participate in the development of new technology with international application.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **650 TC - A 87**

650. Small Fishing Vessel Inspection Regulations - amendment.

Description

This is a safety-related issue to require thermal protection for seafarers resulting from the findings of courts of enquiry into marine casualties. The subject regulations will be amended to provide for this equipment on small fishing vessels.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact

The proposed thermal protective clothing for fisherman on small vessels will cost in the order of $200 to $500 each. Lives will be saved which otherwise might be lost. Canadian protective clothing manufacturers will have a competitive product for foreign markets.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal 651 TC - A 87

651. Tackle Regulations.

Description

The present regulations which stem from the International Labour Conference of 1932 need updating as a result of developments in cargo-handling equipment and advances in technology. Outdated requirements will be replaced by new ones which will address modern methods of marine cargo handling and their attendant hazards. They are planned to come into effect in November 1987.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact

The replacement of outdated requirements with useful and practical ones which reflect in large measure what is already done by the industry will help to secure a more uniform application and is likely to lead to a reduction in accidents. The costs imposed will be small because they reflect what is generally considered good practice in the industry.

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Title of Proposal 652 TC - A 87

652. Ship Station Radio and Technical Regulations - Revision to implement the Future Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (FGMDSS), and to update present regulations.

Description

This is a safety-related issue. This revision will implement the FGMDSS which will be a major change from the present distress and safety system. This change will require ships to fit modern, simple-to-operate radio equipment that will generally function automatically and provide a more efficient and effective distress and safety system. Coastal radio stations will also be required to modernize their equipment to improve distress and safety radio communications.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act and Arctic Waters Pollution Prevention Act.

Anticipated Impact

This revision of the radio regulations will have a significant financial impact on government and industry costs. Initial calculations indicate that the cost of fitting FGMDSS equipment on a "new ship" will be about the same as that for present equipment. The long phase-in period will permit the owners of "existing ships" to plan the transition for the equipping of their ships from the present to the future system. Although the financial impact will be significant, shipowners who judiciously plan for this transition and replace redundant equipment with compatible FGMDSS approved equipment as it becomes available, and who will amortize their remaining existing equipment up to 1997, will be able to substantially reduce this financial impact. It is anticipated that shipowners will also avail themselves of the maintenance flexibility options built into the FGMDSS and dispense with the services of the radio officer which will therefore reduce their annual operating costs significantly.

The incorporation of recent technological developments and innovative procedures, in conjunction with a coordinated search and rescue infrastructure, will significantly improve the safety of life at sea.

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Title of Proposal **653 TC - A 87**

653. Ship Station Technical Regulations - Revision to implement the Future Global Maritime Distress and Safety System (FGMDSS).

Description

The International Maritime Organization (IMO) intends to introduce in 1991 a comprehensive system to improve distress and safety communications and procedures in conjunction with a coordinated search and rescue infrastructure taking advantage of recent technological advances. Canada, being a member of the IMO, will implement the FGMDSS.

A revision of the technical regulations will give effect to the above.

Revision is expected to come into force in 1986, prior to the effective date for the FGMDSS, scheduled for 1991 with final implementation in 1997.

Statutory Authority
Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact
Improved safety of life at sea and more efficient use of Search and Rescue (SAR) resources.
The cost of fitting new equipment will be significantly high but the long phase-in period will permit the shipowners to plan the transition from the present to the future system.
Opportunity for Canadian industry to participate in the development of new technology with international application.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal 654 TC - A 87
654. Proposed Regulations to Control Sewage Pollution from Pleasure Craft.

Description
The problem of sewage pollution from pleasure craft has become an issue in certain areas of the country. The department plans to introduce new regulations to prohibit the discharge of sewage from pleasure craft into designated navigable waters of Canada. The bodies of water to be designated in the regulations would be nominated by provincial authorities, on the understanding that they would be provided with suitable pump-out reception facilities to receive sewage wastes from pleasure craft.

Statutory Authority
Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact

Holding tank installation costs of approximately $100 - $500 per pleasure craft operating in designated waters, plus annual pump-out charges of approximately $50 per boat. Pump-out station costs of approximately $10,000 per facility. Extent of application will be dependent upon provincial government priorities. Social benefits in the form of improved recreational facilities, enhanced fish and wildlife habitat, improved property values, decreased health hazards and less costly water treatment facilities.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **655 TC - A 87**

655. Small Vessel Regulations - amendment.

Description

This is a safety-related item concerning the safe construction of small craft covered by the Small Vessel Regulations. The Construction Standards for Small Vessels are currently under revision and it is proposed to reference the new standards in the regulations. The standards are being revised and expanded at the request of the boating public to provide updated safety standards for installations in small vessels.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact

The revised Standards will provide the boating public with a high degree of safety in most pleasure craft and other small vessels. Technological advances will be reflected in the requirements for various installations. Canadian manufacturers will have a competitive product for foreign markets. The total costs to the consumer as a result of the introduction of this amendment have been tentatively estimated at $3.5m.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal 656 TC - A 87

656. Regulations Respecting a Secondary Command Station.

Description

This is a safety-related issue recommended by the formal investigation into a fire on board the Canadian tanker HUDSON TRANSPORT. A designated secondary command station remote from the wheelhouse will be required on Canadian merchant ships.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact

Radio equipment for the secondary command station may be part of ship's internal communication system and could also be the radio apparatus for survival craft required by SOLAS 83 thus minimizing equipment costs for complying vessels to approximately $2,000 per ship.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal 657 TC - A 87

657. Ship Station Technical Regulations, "Portable VHF Shipboard Radiotelephones for Emergency Purposes".

Description

This is a safety-related issue recommended by the formal investigation into a fire on board the Canadian tanker HUDSON TRANSPORT.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact

Ship's masters will have a back-up command station from which to direct emergency operations in the event that the primary command station is rendered out of action. Radio equipment for the secondary command station may be part of ship's internal communications system and could also be the radio apparatus for survival craft required by the 1983 amendments to the 1974 SOLAS Convention, thus imposing no additional financial penalty.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **658 TC - B 87**
658. Dangerous Bulk Materials Regulations.

Description
These regulations stem from safety requirements originating from the International Maritime Organization. They will prescribe the conditions under which solid dangerous materials may be carried in bulk on board ships, stowage and segregations of these cargoes, and the precautions to be taken during transport. They are planned to come into effect in May 1987.

Statutory Authority
Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact
The anticipated economic impact to industry will be minimal as these requirements are now generally followed. A more uniform adherence to these good practices will likely lead to a reduction in accidents.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
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Title of Proposal **659 TC - B 87**
659. Timber Cargo Regulations.

Description
The present regulations being outdated, these new ones will reflect the present methods and new developments respecting the safe transport of timber deck cargoes as agreed to by the International Maritime Organization. They are planned to come into effect in November 1987.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact

The anticipated economic impact to industry will be minimal as these requirements are now generally followed. A more uniform adherence to these good practices will likely lead to a reduction in accidents.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **660 TC - B 87**

660. Ship Fumigation Regulations.

Description

These regulations are designed to implement the International Maritime Organization's recommendations for the safe use of pesticides aboard ships in order to protect the lives and health of ships' crews and dock workers.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act (Proposed Bill C-75).

Anticipated Impact

There are no anticipated additional costs associated with these regulations since they merely formalize procedures now contained in international standards.

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Title of Proposal **661 TC - B 87**

661. Government Wharves Regulations - amendment.

Description

Amendment of the Government Wharves Regulations is required to increase wharfage, berthage, storage, and summer and winter lying up charges by 10 per cent and to make related changes to the regulations respecting the imposition of these charges.

The amendment may add a small number of new commodities to the wharfage charges tariff structure and make other minor changes.

The proposal will come into effect in early 1987/88.

Statutory Authority

Public Harbours and Port Facilities Act.

Anticipated Impact

The proposal would affect all users of public port facilities, and would increase the charges levied for use of these facilities. Charges under the Government Wharves Regulations were last increased in June 1986, but prior to that time, increases had been relatively infrequent and generally of a small magnitude. The increases are required in support of the Federal Government's deficit reduction initiative. The proposal is based on an across-the board increase to most charges, in the interests of equity for all users.

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Title of Proposal **662 TC - B 87**

662. Public Harbours Regulations - amendment.

Description

Amendment of the Public Harbours Regulations is required to increase the number of times per year harbour dues will be assessed (from 2 to 3) and to introduce a new category of charge assessable on vessels normally operating within a public harbour.

The amendment would enable Harbours and Ports to move closer towards the manner of assessing harbour dues prevalent in other port systems.

The proposal will come into effect in eary 1987/88.

Statutory Authority

Public Harbours and Port Facilities Act.

Anticipated Impact

There will be no major impact as a result of this proposal. Some impact will be felt by those classes of vessels for which a new charge is being proposed. Charges under the Public Harbours Regulations were last increased in June 1986 but prior to that time, increases had been relatively infrequent and generally of a small magnitude. The amendment is required in support of the Federal Government's deficit reduction initiatives.

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Title of Proposal **663 TC - B 87**

663. Structural Steels for Arctic Class Ships.

Description

There are at present no regulatory requirements for the quality of the steel to be used in the main structural elements of an Arctic Class ship. There are available certain steels which are more suitable for use in cold environments than others, the regulations are to be amended to require such steels to be used under certain defined conditions.

Statutory Authority

Arctic Waters Pollution Prevention Act.

Anticipated Impact

A major reduction in the risk to the environment from oil pollution, when navigating in ice.
Added safety both for the ships' crew, and the ship.
Certain added costs in the acquisition of a ship.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **664 TC - B 87**
664. Structural Strength Criteria for Arctic Class Ships.

Description

The present regulations for the structural strength of Arctic Class ships that were developed in 1972 have been found to be inadequate in some respects. Research and development studies and the records of ships damaged in ice provide a basis for determining where structural strength and steel requirements should be increased to ensure safety and environmental protection. This amendment will correct these inadequacies, by incorporating requirements based on this new information.

Statutory Authority

Arctic Waters Pollution Prevention Act.

Anticipated Impact

A major reduction in the risk to the environment from oil pollution, when navigating in ice. Added safety both for the ships' crew and the ship. Certain added costs in the acquisition of a ship.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **665 TC - B 87**
665. Proposed Classed Ships Inspection Regulations.

Description

Some shipowners claim that they are bearing an unnecessary financial burden because their ships, following a classification society survey, must still undergo a Canadian Coast Guard statutory inspection. The Canadian Coast Guard plans to introduce regulations to permit acceptance of classification society surveys for statutory purposes. Acceptance would be initially limited to dry cargo ships and tugs in inland waters and to tugs in coastal waters.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact

Government inspection fees will be reduced for shipowners, but classification survey fees may rise to compensate for additional class survey work.

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Title of Proposal **666 TC - B 87**

666. Ship Radio Inspection Fees Regulations.

Description

It is proposed to partially recover the incurred costs of radio inspections carried out on board ships radio-equipped for safety purposes, addressed by:
- the current regulations which only require payment for a radio inspector's travel and overtime under specific circumstances will be revoked;
- new regulations will be made containing a revised scale of fees aimed at partial recovery of incremental costs; and
- the intended date of implementation is September 1987.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact

The new scale of fees will result in the partial recovery of incurred costs of inspection services now borne by Department of Transport.

Shipowners will be required to bear a portion of the costs of ship radio inspections. These inspections are based on safety-related requirements.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **667 TC - B 87**

667. VHF Radiotelephone Practices and Procedures Regulations - amendment to establish VHF channel 13 (156.65 MHz) as the bridge-to-bridge channel on the Great Lakes.

Description

This is a safety-related issue. Bridge-to-bridge navigation safety calls are presently made on channel 16 (156.8 MHz) which is the distress, safety and calling channel. In several areas on the Great Lakes channel 16 is congested and a single dedicated channel has been proposed for bridge-to-bridge navigation safety calls. Channel 13 is used for bridge-to-bridge navigation safety calls in the United States and a bilateral agreement is being negotiated to adopt channel 13 throughout the Great Lakes. Using channel 13 for this purpose would require an amendment to Canadian and United States legislation and the existing radio agreement. This amendment must be coordinated with the United States.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact

There will be no adverse economic or social costs.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **668 TC - B 87**

668. Hull Inspection Regulations - amendment.

Description

There is a need to update certain sections of the regulations as well as to implement the recommendations made by the Court of Inquiry concerning the loss of the ferry "William Carson" dealing with the hull thickness gauging requirements of a ship. Appropriate sections of the regulations will be amended to take effect in 1988.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact

The amendment will bring Coast Guard inspection procedures closer into line with classification society requirements, and will thus contribute to increased ship operational efficiency. No significant impact is foreseen with respect to any other sector of Canadian society, or the economy.

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Title of Proposal **669 TC - B 87**

669. Navigating Appliances and Equipment Regulations - amendments to magnetic compass and automatic radar plotting aid (ARPA) provisions.

Description

Most ships are required to fit both a standard and steering magnetic compass and some ships are also required to fit a gyro compass.

For efficiency and economy some owners prefer to fit an additional gyro in lieu of the standard magnetic compass. This amendment will permit such owners to exercise this option if they wish.

Some ships are required to fit an ARPA when engaged on certain voyages. This amendment will exempt ships making "limited" voyages outside their traditional area of operation where an ARPA is not required.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act and Arctic Waters Pollutions Prevention Act.

Anticipated Impact

There will be no adverse economic or social costs.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **670 TC - B 87**

670. Ship Station Radio Ragulations - amendment.

Description

This is a safety-related issue. This amendment will require ships to fit a combined Medium Frequency/High Frequency (MF/HF) radiotelephone in lieu of a MF radiotelephone when operating in certain northern waters within a MF coverage area. MF radiocommunications using radiotelephony is sometimes unreliable in these waters and this proposal will enhance safety by providing an alternative means of communications using HF frequencies. This amendment will also continue the recent relaxation whereby ships which previously had to fit three radiotelephones will be able to fit only two.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act and Arctic Waters Pollution Prevention Act.

Anticipated Impact

There will be no adverse economic or social costs. This amendment is a corollary to a previous amendment which established certain Arctic MF coverage areas in a region that was previously considered as MF/HF coverage area. This previous amendment permitted ships to fit one less radiotelephone - i.e. one VHF (Very High Frequency) and one MF radiotelephone. This present amendment, while maintaining the same reduced number of radiotelephones (2), will require a combined MF/HF radiotelephone instead of the MF radiotelephone. Most ships operating in these northern waters are already fitted with a combined MF/HF radiotelephone and therefore there will be no additional costs for these ships. Ships which operate exclusively within those parts of Ungava and Hudson Bay and all of James Bay, which were previously considered as MF coverage areas, will now be required to fit a combined MF/HF radiotelephone to ensure good radiocommunications with local coast radio stations.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **671 TC - B 87**

671. Hull Construction Regulations - amendment.

Description

There is a need to amend the regulations in line with SOLAS 1974 requirements and to provide for the fitting of double bottoms in all new passenger ships carrying more than twelve berthed passengers.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact

The amendments apply only to new passenger vessels. No significant impact is foreseen with respect to any sector of the Canadian society or economy.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

September 1987.

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Title of Proposal **672 TC - B 87**

672. Great Lakes Sewage Pollution Prevention Regulations - amendment.

Description

Current Canadian regulations require that all commercial ships, while in the Great Lakes system be provided with approved monitoring equipment for marine sanitation devices. Because United States regulations do not contain a similar provision, problems have arisen in fulfilling the provisions of the Great Lakes Water Quality Agreement as it pertains to U.S./Canadian Coast Guard cooperation. The proposed regulatory amendment would permit periodic testing and analysis of sewage effluent from marine sanitation devices to be accepted as an equivalent to the fitting of a monitor.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act (Proposed Bill C-75).

Anticipated Impact

Costs for the monitors are estimated at $10 k per unit, while annual testing of effluent would cost approximately $300 for each six week period that a ship operates in the Great Lakes.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **673 TC - B 87**

673. Collision Regulations - Amendment.

Description

This is a safety-related issue. This amendment will require the fitting of a flashing blue light to identify a dedicated Search and Rescue (SAR) vessel when on a SAR mission.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact

The anticipated economic and social costs will be insignificant because the amendment will formally recognize and legislate the present SAR use of this light. Vessels that currently use this light for other purposes will have to cease doing so.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

September 1987.

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Title of Proposal **674 TC - B 87**

674. Charts and Publications Regulations - amendment.

Description

This is a safety-related issue. This revision will bring these regulations up-to-date by dealing with such matters as "international charts"; simplify the format by consolidating the text and deleting specific applications; require some ships to carry a few additional publications such as a Canadian Search and Rescue Manual and Navigational Vocabulary.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act and Arctic Waters Pollution Prevention Act.

Anticipated Impact

There will be no adverse economic or social costs. The additional safety publications should not cost more than twenty dollars for each ship.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

September 1987.

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Title of Proposal **675 TC - B 87**

675. Hull Construction Regulations - amendment.

Description

Following the sinking of a Great Lakes vessel, the inquiry highlighted the vulnerability of certain lake ship designs to flooding as a result of relatively minor shell damage. These amendments will require effective measures to prevent cargo hold flooding in the event of minor side damage to dry cargo vessels.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact

This amendment applies only to dry cargo vessels operating on inland waters. This amendment reflects normal practice with regard to modern lake ship design and will not cause additional costs to the shipbuilding industry. No impact is foreseen with respect to any other sector of the Canadian society or economy.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

September 1987.

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Title of Proposal **676 TC - B 87**

676. Small Vessel Regulations - amendment.

Description

This is a safety-related initiative. The technical specifications of certain items of safety equipment required by the Small Vessel Regulations correspond with those in the Life Saving Equipment Regulations currently being amended to reflect the revisions to Chapter III of SOLAS 1974. These specifications are being revised accordingly in the Small Vessel Regulations.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact

The regulations will be easier for the user and the manufacturer to understand. As the equipment will meet international standards, Canadian manufacturers will be able to sell abroad. The boating public will be better protected in the event of a marine emergency. Additional costs for approximately 200,000 affected boats will be in the region of $60 per boat.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **677 TC - B 87**

677. Collision Regulations - amendment.

Description

This is a safety-related issue. This amendment will require certain vessels to fit a dual system of important navigation lights to ensure that there will always be a back-up system readily available in case of an emergency.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact

It is anticipated that the impact of this amendment will not be significant because the requirements for larger ships will be phased-in over several years and the current back-up requirement for oil lanterns will be revoked; most small ships will be excepted; many ships already have dual lighting systems; and dual lighting systems installed in new ships are cost effective.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

September 1987.

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Title of Proposal **678 TC - B 87**

678. Declaration of Public Harbour.

Description

The Public Harbours and Port Facilities Act provides for the declaration of public harbours by order of the Governor in Council. It is intended to declare Argentia, Newfoundland as a public harbour. Certain other harbours may also be declared as public harbours.

Statutory Authority

Public Harbours and Port Facilities Act.

Anticipated Impact

The proposal will have a minor impact on the users of public harbours. Declaration on a public harbour would result in the Public Harbours Regulations being applicable. These regulate vessel activity and provide for the imposition of harbour dues, to a maximum of twice annually in any public harbour. The proposal would enable the appointment of a harbour master to oversee the day-to-day operation of the public harbour thereby contributing to the attainment of safety and security objectives.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Last quarter, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **679 TC - B 87**

679. Proclamation of Victoria and Esquimalt, B.C. as a Harbour Commission and Development of Appropriate By-Laws.

Description

The Harbour Commissions Act provides for the establishment of Harbour Commissions by proclamation of the Governor in Council. The proclamation would establish harbour limits, state the corporate name of the commission and fix the number of members.

Statutory Authority

Harbour Commissions Act.

Anticipated Impact

Minor impact on a small sector of the shipping community related to changes in administration.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Unknown. The proposal is initiated at the local level and requires local involvement.

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Title of Proposal **680 TC - B 87**

680. Regulations Designating the Public Harbours and the Public Port Facilities where Harbour Masters and Wharfingers may be appointed.

Description

The Public Harbours and Port Facilities Act requires the designation by the Governor in Council of public harbours and public port facilities where harbour masters and wharfingers may be appointed. This is a new requirement introduced in 1983 through amendments to the Act. The Standing Joint Committee of the Senate and of the House of Commons on Regulations and Other Statutory Instruments has repeatedly requested that these regulations be made.

Statutory Authority

Public Harbours and Port Facilities Act.

Anticipated Impact

Nil.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

December 1987.

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Title of Proposal **681 TC - B 87**

681. Remission of Charges under the Government Wharves Regulations Order.

Description

Increased charges under the Government Wharves Regulations were introduced to take effect October 1, 1985. Major concerns were expressed by users at that time. As a result of these concerns, the increases were not imposed and the level of charges in effect immediately prior to the October 1, 1985 increase was retained. An Order in Council to revoke the October 1, 1985 increase was obtained December 19, 1985.

A Remission Order to remit that portion of charges paid or payable between October 1 and December 19, 1985 which was in excess of the charges which would have been paid or payable under the charges in place before October 1, 1985 has been approved and "blue-stamped" by Privy Council Legal Office, Department of Justice.

Statutory Authority

Financial Administration Act.

Anticipated Impact

Nil. The proposed order is a legal requirement to legitimize the non-collection of the October 1, 1985 increases which were legally in effect until December 19, 1985.

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ROUTINE INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **682 TC - C 87**
682. Collision Regulations - Amendment.

Description

This is a safety-related issue. The regulations require specific light and sound signal appliance provisions to be met. Governments have some flexibility in meeting these provisions and this amendment will formalize the practice of taking safety into account when exercising such flexibility.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact

This amendment will make it easier to approve cost effective alternatives. Savings could range from a few thousand to hundreds of thousands of dollars for affected ships.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **683 TC - C 87**
683. Collision Regulations - amendment.

Description

This is a safety-related issue. Rule 38 provided a nine-year exemption from certain navigation light and sound signal appliance provisions. This nine-year exemption expired on July 14, 1986 for ships outside the Great Lakes. The Regulations were applied to Great Lakes vessels in 1983 and a similar nine-year exemption for such vessels has been requested. This amendment would extend these exemptions for vessels which operate solely on Great Lakes voyages from the installation or repositioning of navigation lights and the requirements for sound signalling appliances to February 29, 1992. This amendment will ensure that Canadian and U.S. vessels within the Great Lakes are treated the same with respect to the timing of these exemption provisions.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact

The extension of the exemption deadline will alleviate the concerns of the Canadian Great Lakes shipping industry and there will be no cost to any sector of the Canadian industry.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **684 TC - C 87**

684. Collision Regulations - amendment.

Description

This is a safety-related issue. This revision will incorporate amendments being developed by the International Maritime Organization and several changes required as the result of proposed amendments to the Canada Shipping Act (Bill C-75). These amendments will deal with such things as the steering and sailing rules, lights and shapes, sound and light signals, conduct around offshore platforms, routing systems and the application of the rules to ships. This opportunity will also permit a consolidation of the many previous amendments to these regulations into a single comprehensive document which will make it easier to understand in its official legal form. Finally, a few outstanding amendments requested by the Standing Joint Committee of the Senate and of the House of Commons on Regulations and Other Statutory Instruments will be dealt with.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act (proposed Bill C-75).

Anticipated Impact

There will be no adverse economic or social costs.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

September 1987.

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Title of Proposal **685 TC - C 87**

685. Safety Convention Certificate Regulations - amendment.

Description

This is an update of the existing regulations and provides the new formats for Ship Inspection Certificates for ships required to meet the terms of the 1974 Safety of Life at Sea (SOLAS) Convention, its 1978 Protocol and Amendments which are not in force internationally.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact

There is no impact as the regulation merely indicates the form of the new certificates.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

January 1987.

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Title of Proposal **686 TC - C 87**

686. St. Clair and Detroit River Navigation Safety Regulations - amendment.

Description

This is a safety-related issue. Since these regulations were established the United States has changed the name of a light beacon in the St. Clair River which identifies a calling-in-point at which mariners must make a radio traffic report to Sarnia Traffic Centre. This amendment will correct the name of that calling-in-point.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact

There will be no adverse economic or social costs.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
August 1987.

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Title of Proposal 687 TC - C 87
687. Dangerous Goods Shipping Regulations - amendment.

Description
As the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code no longer addresses the carriage by ship of solid dangerous goods transported in bulk and such materials are specifically exempted from the Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act, it has become necessary to introduce regulations on dangerous bulk materials. In order to do so, Privy Council has advised that a consequential amendment to the subject regulations is necessary.

Statutory Authority
Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact
Nil.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
January 1987.

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Title of Proposal 688 TC - C 87
688. Safe Containers Convention Regulations - amendment.

Description
Amendments to these regulations were found to be necessary following a review by the Standing Joint Committee of the Senate and of the House of Commons on Regulations and Other Statutory Instruments.

Statutory Authority
Safe Containers Convention Act.

Anticipated Impact
No significance for industry.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
October 1986

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Title of Proposal 689 TC - C 87

689. Navigating Appliances and Equipment Regulations - Amendment.

Description
This is a safety-related issue. This amendment will incorporate the important standards directly into the regulations and schedule the truly technical standards material to the regulations by reference. This amendment is in response to concerns from the Standing Joint Committee of the Senate and of the House of Commons on Regulations and Other Statutory Instruments about the method used in the present regulations to deal with the standards. This amendment is expected to come into force in 1988.

Statutory Authority
Canada Shipping Act and Arctic Waters Pollution Prevention Act.

Anticipated Impact
There will be no adverse economic or social costs.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
September 1987.

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Title of Proposal 690 TC - C 87

690. Anchorage Regulations - amendment.

Description
This is a safety-related issue. This amendment will consolidate and update several anchorage regulations to make them more accessible to the mariner and therefore easier to comply with, and will more clearly conform to evolving administrative (simplified) and legal practices

(individual rights). The Standing Joint Committee of the Senate and of the House of Commons on Regulations and Other Statutory Instruments also requested some amendments to these regulations which were perceived to be a violation of the Charter of Rights.

Statutory Authority
Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact
There will be no adverse economic or social costs.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
August 1987.

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Title of Proposal **691 TC - C 87**
691. Oil Carriage Limitation Regulations - revocation.

Description
The Standing Joint Committee of the Senate and of the House of Commons on Regulations and Other Statutory Instruments has claimed that the Oil Carriage Limitation Regulations lack enabling legislation and are therefore "ultra vires". Moreover, due to the abandonment of plans in the United States to build an oil refinery at Eastport, Maine, the threat of environmental damage to the waters of Head Harbour Passage, New Brunswick, from traffic of large oil tankers, has now subsided.

In the event that it proves necessary to reintroduce protective regulatory measures, changes to the Canada Shipping Act have been arranged under Bill C-75 to provide the necessary authority.

Statutory Authority
Canada Shipping Act (Proposed Bill C-75).

Anticipated Impact
Nil.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
November 1986.

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Title of Proposal 692 TC - C 87

692. Burlington Canal Regulations - Amendment.

Description

This is a safety-related issue. This amendment will metricize these regulations, and clarify certain safety provisions that the Standing Joint Committee of the Senate and of the House of Commons on Regulations and Other Statutory Instruments considers unclear.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact

There will be no adverse economic or social costs.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

August 1987.

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Title of Proposal 693 TC - C 87

693. Small Fishing Vessel Inspection Regulations - amendment.

Description

This is a safety-related issue and involves the incorporation of textual amendments required by the Standing Joint Committee of the Senate and of the House of Commons on Regulations and Other Statutory Instruments.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact

Will have no impact on any sector of the Canadian society or economy.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

June 1987.

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Title of Proposal 694 TC - C 87

694. Hull Construction Regulations - amendment.

Description

This is a safety-related issue and involves the incorporation of textual amendments required by the Standing Joint Committee of the Senate and of the House of Commons on Regulations and Other Statutory Instruments.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact

Will have no impact on any sector of the Canadian society or economy.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal 695 TC - C 87

695. Public Harbours Regulations - amendment.

Description

Amendment of the Public Harbours Regulations are required to reflect changes requested by the Standing Joint Committee of the Senate and of the House of Commons on Regulations and Other Statutory Instruments and to eliminate inconsistencies and duplication between regulations made pursuant to other statutes. The proposal will also revoke certain sections which are no longer relevant and make minor necessary changes.

Statutory Authority

Public Harbours and Port Facilities Act.

Anticipated Impact

Nil. The proposal will make minor housekeeping changes to existing provisions and will ensure consistency with other regulations.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

November 1987.

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Title of Proposal **696 TC - C 87**

696. Government Wharves Regulations - Amendment.

Description

Amendment of the Government Wharves Regulations is required to make minor changes to the definition section in accordance with requests by the Standing Joint Committee of the Senate and of the House of Commons on Regulations and Other Statutory Instruments. The proposal will also include several "housekeeping" changes.

Statutory Authority

Public Harbours and Port Facilities Act.

Anticipated Impact

Nil.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

September 1987.

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Title of Proposal **697 TC - C 87**

697. Oil Pollution Prevention Regulations - amendment.

Description

Following a review of amendment SOR/85-181, Oil Pollution Prevention Regulations, by the Standing Joint Committee of the Senate and of the House of Commons on Regulations and Other Statutory Instruments, some textual improvements were requested, and an inconsistency between the English and French texts was highlighted. An amendment has been made to the Oil Pollution Prevention Regulations to incorporate textual changes that clarify and eliminate these discrepancies.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact

Nil.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

November 1986.

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Title of Proposal **698 TC - C 87**

698. Navigable Water Works Regulations - amendment.

Description

The regulations will be amended to identify types of structures and the validity period of the approval granted by the Minister pursuant to subsections 5(1) and 6(4) of the Navigable Waters Protection Act. The amendments will also clarify the requirements for minor works approved under subsection 5(2) of the Act.

Statutory Authority

Navigable Waters Protection Act.

Anticipated Impact

There will be no impact on market efficiency, employment, nor will any technological changes be necessary.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **699 TC - C 87**
699. Ferry Cable Regulations - amendment.

Description
It is proposed to revoke the present regulations and make new ones which will reflect changes with respect to the present ferry cable operations and lighting requirements.

Statutory Authority
Navigable Waters Protection Act.

Anticipated Impact
There will be no impact on market efficiency, employment, nor will any technological changes be necessary.

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Title of Proposal **700 TC - C 87**
700. Navigable Waters Bridges Regulations - amendment.

Description
Proposed amendments will permit greater flexibility for lighting and marking of bridges and will conform to and improve upon navigational systems presently in place.

Statutory Authority
Navigable Waters Protection Act.

Anticipated Impact
There will be no impact on market efficiency, employment, nor will any technological changes be necessary.

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Title of Proposal **701 TC - C 87**
701. Ship Registration Form Regulations - amendment.

Description

Existing forms have remained substantially unchanged since the early 1800s. The proposed amendments will modernize the forms and correct minor errors and omissions.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act.

Anticipated Impact

These amendments have no cost implications for industry, but reduce the number of forms required and make them easier for the public to use.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

April 1987.

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Title of Proposal **702 TC - C 87**

702. Nautical Safety and Pollution Prevention Regulations.

Description

This is a safety-related issue. A consolidation of certain regulations has been proposed because owners, operators and mariners are required to observe numerous safety regulations dealing with equipment, manning and procedures. Many of the provisions are similar in nature and it has been noted in comparison that the required functions or actions indicate a significant level of duplication throughout these closely-related regulations. Where appropriate, the consolidation process will also take into consideration "nautical safety" type provisions selected from regulations mainly dealing with the prevention of pollution. Target completion date is 1988.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act and Arctic Waters Pollution Prevention Act.

Anticipated Impact

There will be no adverse economic or social costs.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

August 1988.

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Title of Proposal 703 TC - C 87

703. Ship-Source Oil Pollution Fund Regulations (SSOPF).

Description

Regulations are required in respect of the manner in which the levy for the fund is paid and for the filing of information on movements of oil for the purpose of calculating amounts due to the fund and for any obligation that the department may have to the International Oil Pollution Compensation Fund.

Additionally, regulations are required for the determination of the consumer price index for the purpose of adjusting the levy and the limit of liability of the SSOPF annually.

Statutory Authority

Canada Shipping Act (Proposed Bill C-75).

Anticipated Impact

These are revised regulations to take the place of those existing already under the Canada Shipping Act section 749. They will have a minor impact on oil importers in the way of paperburden if the levy for the fund has to be reimposed.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Summer 1987.

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HARBOUR COMMISSIONS

MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal 704 TC - B 87

704. Oshawa Harbour Commission By-law - revision.

Description

Complete revision of existing Oshawa Harbour Commission By-laws which date back to 1964.

Statutory Authority
Harbour Commissions Act 1964.

Anticipated Impact
The new by-laws will be more concise and easier to implement. Content and controls will not change dramatically.

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Title of Proposal **705 TC - B 87**
705. Toronto Harbour Commissioners By-law respecting safety of charter boats operating in Toronto harbour.

Description
To institute standards and controls on charter boats and their operators to deal with perceived deficiencies in federal regulations.

Statutory Authority
The Toronto Harbour Commissioners Act, 1911.

Anticipated Impact
Positive - will improve safety for public using harbour.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Early 1987.

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Title of Proposal **706 TC - B 87**
706. Toronto Harbour Commissioners By-law regarding operation of ferries in Toronto harbour.

Description
To reduce conflict between ferries and sailboats in Toronto Harbour.

Statutory Authority
The Toronto Harbour Commissioners Act, 1911.

Anticipated Impact
No economic impact. Will impact on use of harbour by sailors.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Early 1987.

Contact
I.C.R. Brown, General Manager, The Toronto Harbour Commissioners, 60 Harbour Street, Toronto, Ontario. M5J 1B7. Tel: (416) 863-2028.

Title of Proposal 707 TC - B 87

707. Toronto Harbour Commissioners By-law to regulate and control the landing of jets and aircraft generating excessive noise at the Toronto Island Airport.

Description
The by-law will implement the controls on jets and noisy aircraft required under the three-party lease agreement and the legislation.

Statutory Authority
The Toronto Harbour Commissioners Act, 1985.

Anticipated Impact
Insignificant impact on Canadian society. Controls are already in place. Merely changes enforcement method to fines under a By-law.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Early 1987.

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Title of Proposal 708 TC - B 87

708. North Fraser Harbour Commission By-laws - revision.

Description
The commission is seeking to revise and update administrative by-laws and tariff schedules to take into account changing conditions and the impact of inflation.

The process of redrafting these by-laws commenced some four years ago. Affected parties and individuals were consulted and general agreement to the redrafts was reached approximately two years ago. Work is presently continuing on the legal drafting of the by-laws.

The revised by-laws are anticipated to take effect by Summer 1987.

Statutory Authority

Harbour Commissions Act.

Anticipated Impact

The commission foresees no major impacts with respect to the redraft. Minor impacts may occur with respect to paperburden.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

May 1987.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **709 TC - B 87**

709. Fraser Harbour Commission By-laws - revision.

Description

The commission is seeking to revise administrative and operating by-laws and tariff schedules in order to delete sections no longer applicable; redraft sections to make them relative in time; and update charges which have not kept pace with inflation.

Statutory Authority

Harbour Commissions Act.

Anticipated Impact

The commission foresees no major impacts with respect to the redraft. Minor impacts may occur with respect to paperburden.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

December 1987.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **710 TC - B 87**

710. Port Alberni Harbour Commission By-laws - revision.

Description

The commission is seeking to revise administrative and operating by-laws and tariff schedules in order to delete sections no longer applicable; redraft sections to make them relative in time; and update charges which have not kept pace with inflation.

Statutory Authority
Harbour Commissions Act.

Anticipated Impact
The commission foresees no major impacts with respect to the redraft. Minor impacts may occur with respect to paperburden.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
December 1987.

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ROUTINE INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **711 TC - C 87**
711. Oshawa Harbour Commission Tariff Increase.

Description
Increase of top wharfage, side wharfage, harbour dues and marina charges by a percentage which is unknown at this time.

Statutory Authority
Harbour Commissions Act 1964.

Anticipated Impact
Minimal impact on public. Affects only port's users, and represents small percentage of total transportation costs.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
June 1987.

Contact
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Title of Proposal **712 TC - C 87**
712. Toronto Harbour Licensing By-law - amendment to By-law No. 7.

Description

To update fee schedule for operators' licences and to make other modifications suggested by the Department of Justice.

Statutory Authority

The Toronto Harbour Commissioners Act, 1911.

Anticipated Impact

Minimal. Impact on small number of specific harbour users.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Mid 1987.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **713 TC - C 87**

713. Toronto Harbour Cargo Rates By-law - amendment to By-law No. 10.

Description

To increase tariff rates to maintain cost recovery and to keep pace with inflation.

Statutory Authority

The Toronto Harbour Commissioners Act, 1911.

Anticipated Impact

Minimal. Affects port users only. Charge represents small percentage of total transportation costs.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Early 1987.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **714 TC - C 87**

714. Toronto Harbour Tariff of Berthage Charges - amendment to By-law No. 24.

Description

To increase tariff rates to maintain cost recovery and to keep pace with inflation.

Statutory Authority
The Toronto Harbour Commissioners Act, 1911.

Anticipated Impact
Minimal. Affects port users only. Charge represents small percentage of total transportation costs.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Early 1987.

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Title of Proposal **715 TC - C 87**
715. Toronto Harbour Commissioners By-laws - amendment to penalty section.

Description
To increase the maximum fines payable for breaches to the maximum permitted under the Toronto Harbour Commissioners Act, 1985.

Statutory Authority
The Toronto Harbour Commissioners Act, 1985.

Anticipated Impact
Economic impact only on offenders.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Various dates during 1987.

Contact
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Title of Proposal **716 TC - C 87**
716. Hamilton Harbour Cargo Rates Tariff By-law and the Hamilton Harbour Anchorage and Berthage Tariff By-law - Amendments.

Description
Increase in rates prescribed by the above by-laws to account for inflation.

Statutory Authority
The Hamilton Harbour Commissioners Act, 1912.

Anticipated Impact

Minor. The proposal will keep port charges from being eroded by inflation and will increase costs to port users by a corresponding amount.

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Title of Proposal 717 TC - C 87

717. Fraser River Harbour Commission Tariff By-law.
Nanaimo Harbour Commission Tariff By-law.
Port Alberni Harbour Commission Tariff By-law.
Thunder Bay Harbour Commission Tariff By-law.
Windsor Harbour Commission Tariff By-law.

Description

All of the above harbour commissions will amend their by-laws to increase tariff rates to maintain cost recovery and to keep pace with inflation.

Statutory Authority

Harbour Commissions Act.

Anticipated Impact

Minimal. Affects port users only.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Early 1987.

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Title of Proposal **718 TC - C 87**

718. Toronto Harbour Commission By-law respecting trespass and use of Commission property.

Description

To implement controls at Island Airport and regulating use of commissioner's property and berths.

Statutory Authority

The Toronto Harbour Commissioners Acts, 1911 and 1985.

Anticipated Impact

Nil. Will clarify commission powers and enforcement rights.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Late 1987.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **719 TC - C 87**

719. Windsor Harbour Commission General By-laws - amendment.

Description

Amendment to ensure conformity with other regulations particularly in the area of vessel speed and to delete references to redundant regulations.

Statutory Authority

Harbour Commissions Act.

Anticipated Impact

Minimal. The proposal will eliminate inconsistencies between government regulations.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **720 TC - C 87**

720. Toronto Harbour Commissioners By-law No. 15, "Regulating Advertising on Vessels or floating craft within the harbour" - revocation.

Description

Will eliminate obsolete controls on advertising in the harbour.

Statutory Authority

The Toronto Harbour Commissioners Act, 1911.

Anticipated Impact

Positive. Will remove minor irritant for harbour users.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **721 TC - C 87**

721, Toronto Harbour Licensing By-law - amendment to By-law No. 7.

Description

To remove or amend certain provisions as requested by the Standing Joint Committee of the Senate and of the House of Commons on Regulations and Other Statutory Instruments.

Statutory Authority

The Toronto Harbour Commissioners Act, 1911.

Anticipated Impact

Nil.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Early 1987.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **722 TC - C 87**

722. Hamilton Harbour Commissioners East Port Development By-law - amendment.

Description

Minor wording and grammatical changes as requested by the Standing Joint Committee of the Senate and of the House of Commons on Regulations and Other Statutory Instruments. Minor wording clarification required by the Hamilton Harbour Commissioners.

Statutory Authority
The Hamilton Harbour Commissioners Act, 1912.

Anticipated Impact
Nil.

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PILOTAGE

ROUTINE INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **723 TC - C 87**
723. Atlantic, Laurentian, Great Lakes and Pacific Pilotage Tariff Regulations.

Description
Each pilotage authority will amend its tariff regulations to enable it to operate on a self-sustaining financial basis.

The Pilotage Authorities are required by statute "to establish, operate, maintain and administer, in the interests of safety, an efficient pilotage service within the region set out in respect of the Authority..." Where Canadian waters are contiguous with the waters of the United States i.e., in the Great Lakes, the pilotage service is provided in conjunction with the United States under a Memorandum of Arrangements signed by the United States Secretary of Transportation and our Minister of Transport.

As it is on this pilotage service that this country's overseas trade (which, in turn, forms a very large percentage of this country's Gross National Product) depends, it is essential that the pilotage tariffs be increased at a rate comparable with rising costs. These costs refer to local administration costs, pilots' and dispatchers' salaries, communication costs, replacement and operating costs of pilot boats, costs of helicopter services, etc. The statute requires that "the tariffs of pilotage charges prescribed by an Authority be fair and reasonable and consistent with providing a revenue... "sufficient to permit the Authority to operate on a self-sustaining financial basis". Marine pilotage services, in enhancing the safety of navigation to the degree possible, do likewise for the protection of the environment.

Statutory Authority

Pilotage Act.

Anticipated Impact

On average there will be an increased cost to the shipper/carrier estimated to range from zero to somewhere between 12 per cent and 15 per cent which is usually passed on to the consumer. This cost, however, ensures the continued provision of the pilotage service by avoiding strikes and work-to-rule tactics on the part of the pilots. The pilotage service provided by the Pilotage Authorities is, in effect, an essential service. One of the principals involved in all major marine pilotage matters is the Shipping Federation of Canada which is the Canadian representative on the east coast of Canada and the Great Lakes of all foreign carriers involved in the carriage of Canadian overseas trade. Invariably, federation representatives at any meetings pertaining to pilotage matters have always stressed the extreme importance of avoiding delays to shipping upon which this country's foreign trade depends.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

First half of 1987. (This estimate, in the case of the Great Lakes Pilotage Authority, may slip somewhat depending on the at present unknown outcome of objections by United States Authorities to proposals by the Great Lakes Pilotage Authority.)

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CANADA PORTS CORPORATION

ROUTINE INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **724 TC - C 87**

724. Amendments: Canada Ports Corporation Harbour Dues Tariff By-law; Montreal Port Corporation Harbour Dues By-law; Port of Quebec Corporation Harbour Dues By-law; Halifax Port Corporation Harbour Dues By-law; Halifax Port Corporation Harbour Dues By-law; St. John's Port Corporation Harbour Dues By-law; and Prince Rubert Port Corporation Harbour Dues By-law.

Description

Increase of harbour dues in order to keep pace with inflation.

Statutory Authority
Canada Ports Corporation Act.

Anticipated Impact
Minimal. Affects port users only.

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SURFACE GROUP
ROAD SAFETY AND MOTOR VEHICLE REGULATION DIRECTORATE

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **725 TC - A 87**
725. Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations - amendment to (Canadian Motor Vehicle Safety Standards) CMVSS 1100 "Vehicle Emissions" - Heavy-Duty Engines and Heavy-Duty Vehicles.

Description
The proposed amendment introduces stricter standards for emissions of hydrocarbons, oxides of nitrogen, carbon monoxide, and diesel particulates produced by heavy-duty engines and heavy-duty vehicles. These standards are proposed to become effective on December 1, 1988 and are the same as those which will be in effect in the United States for 1988 model year heavy-duty vehicles and heavy-duty engines. The U.S. heavy-duty standards for the 1991 and 1994 model years continue to be studied for possible adoption in Canada.

The proposed amendment was initiated as part of a government initiative to combat acid rain announced by the then Minister of the Environment Mrs. Blais-Grenier on March 15, 1985.

Statutory Authority
Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Anticipated Impact
The cost-effectiveness ratios for the proposed standards (over the lifetimes of 12 model years) for emissions of hydrocarbons, carbon monoxide, particulates, and oxides of nitrogen range from $70 per tonne to $2,560 per tonne. The regulations are expected to have no substantial adverse consequences for income distribution, output and employment, market structure and competition, or technological progress.

Diesel fuel demand is expected to grow to about 65 million litres annually by 2000. If this volume was all imported, its cost would amount to approximately $15 - $20 million annually.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Notice was given in the Canada Gazette Part I on July 6, 1985 of the government's intention to prepare an analysis of the likely effects of three sets of progressively more stringent standards with effective dates of January 1, 1988; January 1, 1991; and January 1, 1994.

The proposal was published in the Canada Gazette Part I on August 9, 1986. Publication of the final regulation is expected to occur in March 1987.

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Title of Proposal 726 TC - A 87

726. Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations - amendment to CMVSS 108 "Lighting Equipment" - daytime running lamps.

Description

Approximately one-third of all road accidents are daytime collisions. The use of daytime front running lights has been shown to be effective against a frequent cause of such accidents - failure to see a vehicle or to judge its speed. The department has proposed that all new passenger cars, trucks, multipurpose passenger vehicles and buses manufactured from September 1, 1988 onwards be equipped with automatic daytime running lamps.

Statutory Authority

Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Anticipated Impact

The net benefit of daytime running lamp systems, taking into account accident reduction and the costs of equipment, maintenance and extra fuel, is expected to be from $15 to 50 million per year, Depending on the types of daytime running lamp systems sold. This amendment is unlikely to have any discernible effects on regional balance, technological progress, the environment, output and employment, or market structure and competition. The effects upon income distribution, energy consumption and international trade are expected to be slight. This amendment does not affect paperburden.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
The proposal was published in Canada Gazette Part I on July 12, 1986. Publication of the final regulation is expected in the first quarter of 1987.

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727 TC - A 87

Title of Proposal
727. Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations - New Section 210.1 - Requirement for Anchorages for Child Restraint Tether Straps.

Description
In order to improve the safety of child restraint systems, it is necessary to reduce the difficulty of installing tether straps in cars. The provision of an anchorage for the tether strap by the manufacturer of the vehicle will reduce misuse of child restraints and encourage the use of the tether strap. Effective January 1, 1989, passenger cars will be required to be fitted with a hole or threaded hole for each rear seating position.

Statutory Authority
Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Anticipated Impact
The estimated additional cost per vehicle is $1.54. The resulting ease of proper installation of child seats will result in a reduction of the 70 deaths and 3,700 child injuries which occur annually. This amendment is unlikely to have any discernible effects on regional balance, technological progress, the environment, output and employment, market structure and competition. The effects upon income distribution, energy consumption and international trade are expected to be slight. This amendment does not affect paperburden.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
The proposal was published in the Canada Gazette Part I on February 12, 1983. Publication of the final regulation is expected in the first quarter of 1987.

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Title of Proposal **728 TC - A 87**

728. Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations - amendment to CMVSS 121 "Air Brakes".

Description

Many large trucks become involved in accidents due to: (a) instability caused by a lack of brakes on the front axle or uncoordinated brake application and release timing; (b) improper brake maintenance; and (c) excessive stopping distance due primarily to a lack of front brakes. This amendment will reduce the frequency of brake-related accidents by requiring front brakes, introducing stopping distance requirements, and specifying application and release times for all air braked vehicles. Automatic brake adjusters or brake adjustment aids may also be required on such vehicles.

This amendment is planned to come into effect on June 1, 1989.

Statutory Authority

Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Anticipated Impact

Front brakes are expected to reduce the number of stability-related accidents involving heavy commercial vehicles (primarily tractor-trailers) by 5 to 10 per cent. The addition of front brakes would add approximately $500 to the cost of about 1,000 vehicles annually. The equipment other than front brakes that this amendment might require could cost up to $100 per vehicle and would affect approximately 10,000 vehicles annually. The total annual cost of this initiative would therefore be about $1.5 million. Truck operators will benefit from reduced risk of accident involvement and possible reduced maintenance needs. Canadian brake equipment and vehicle manufacturers, including many small businesses, are expected to benefit directly through increased product sales. This regulation is unlikely to have any discernible effects on regional balance, technological progress, the environment, output and employment, market structure and competition. The effects upon income distribution, energy consumption and trade are expected to be negligible. This amendment does not affect paperburden.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
First quarter, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **729 TC - A 87**
729. Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations - amendment to CMVSS 208 "Seat Belt Installations".

Description
In order to provide more flexibility to manufacturers in the design of automatic protection systems, a mechanism which allows the belt webbing spool of an automatic seat belt system to be manually released will be allowed. To maintain the current levels of protection in convertibles, the provision of lap-shoulder belts or automatic protection will be required. To eliminate redundant and unnecessary test requirements, two subsections of CMVSS 208 will be eliminated. Improvements will be made in truck seat belt systems to make them more comfortable. These amendments are anticipated to become effective September 1, 1988.

Statutory Authority
Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Anticipated Impact
Effects on cost of vehicles will be minimal and some small reductions may result from these changes. Truck seat belt improvements will result in increased wearing rates. This amendment is unlikely to have any discernible effects on regional balance, technological progress, the environment, output and employment, nor market structure and competition. The effects upon income distribution, energy consumption and international trade are expected to be slight. This amendment does not affect paperburden.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
First quarter, 1987.

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Title of Proposal 730 TC - A 87

730. Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations - amendment to CMVSS 1100 "Vehicle Emissions" - Motorcycle Emission Standards.

Description

The government is investigating the need to regulate exhaust, evaporation, and crankcase emissions from motorcycles in Canada. The emissions from motorcycles have not been regulated previously in Canada, although the U.S. has applied emission standards to motorcycles since 1978.

Statutory Authority

Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Anticipated Impact

The anticipated impact of introducing motorcycle emission standards cannot be predicted accurately until a regulatory impact analysis is completed.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

The notice of intent to perform a regulatory impact analysis is scheduled for printing in the Canada Gazette Part I in March 1987. If emission standards for motorcycles are seen to be desirable by the government, the proposed standards, the vehicles to which they will apply, and the effective date(s) will be published in the Canada Gazette Part I in the Spring of 1988.

Contact

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Title of Proposal 731 TC - A 87

731. Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations - amendment to CMVSS 217 "Bus Window Retention, Release and Emergency Exits".

Description

In order to improve access to the opening mechanism of the emergency exit of a school bus, an amendment will allow an additional method of satisfying the requirements. The amendment will be effective upon the date of registration.

Statutory Authority

Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Anticipated Impact

There will be no economic effect. A slight improvement in safety will be realized. This amendment is unlikely to have any discernible effects on regional balance, technological progress, the environment, output and employment, or market structure and competition. The effects upon income distribution, energy consumption and international trade are expected to be slight. This amendment does not affect paperburden.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

The proposal was published in the Canada Gazette Part I on June 14, 1986. Publication of the final regulation is expected in the first quarter of 1987.

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Title of Proposal **732 TC - A 87**

732. Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations - Importation.

Description

The proposed amendment to section 13 "Prescribed Classes of Vehicles" permits the importation of a vehicle other than a bus that is more than 15 years old that did not comply with the Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations at the time of manufacture.

The proposed amendment was initiated to remove an unnecessary restriction on the importation of motor vehicles. The amendment would become effective upon publication in Part II of the Canada Gazette estimated to be in the first quarter of 1987.

Statutory Authority

Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Anticipated Impact

This amendment will have no effect on safety, since these vehicles are mainly imported by car collectors. A reduction in workload for government officials is anticipated.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Published in the Canada Gazette Part I on February 22, 1986.

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MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **733 TC - B 87**

733. Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations - new section applying to Child Seats for Disabled Children.

Description

Current requirements for child seating systems for use in motor vehicles are not sufficiently flexible to permit the manufacture of seats for use by certain handicapped children. It is necessary that a standard be introduced that would ensure that safe seats are available for handicapped children.

Statutory Authority

Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Anticipated Impact

Several manufacturers have requested that standards be introduced and the economic effect on society will be minimal. Some safety benefits will be realized and the safety technology for the handicapped will be encouraged. There will be no discernible effect on such things as regional balance, the environment, employment and market structure.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Fourth quarter, 1987.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **734 TC - B 87**

734. Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations - amendments to Sections to Permit Exemptions for Vehicles for the Disabled.

Description

Certain characteristics of vehicles specifically designed for use by disabled people do not permit them to comply with some safety requirements. In order to remove undue impediments to the introduction of vehicles for the disabled, regulatory amendments will be made where necessary. A number of individual regulations could require amendment. These amendments will be effective early in 1989.

Statutory Authority

Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Anticipated Impact

These amendments will ensure the continued safety of vehicles for the disabled. No significant alteration to existing designs is foreseen due to these amendments and no economic impact is anticipated. The introduction of vehicles for use by the disabled will be encouraged, otherwise no discernible effects on the environment, regional balance, employment, market structure and other such matters are anticipated.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Fourth quarter, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **735 TC - B 87**

735. Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations - Motorcycle Definitions.

Description

The amendment would replace the current five classes of two and three-wheeled vehicles with two classes, according to whether the vehicle is intended for use on or off public highways, the purpose being the improvement of motorcycle safety and the simplification of the regulations. The amendment would become effective upon publication in Part II of the Canada Gazette, estimated to be the fourth quarter of 1987.

Statutory Authority

Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Anticipated Impact

The proposal will assist the provinces in identifying which motorcycles can be used on the public highways and will improve motorcycle safety. The cost to comply with this proposal is estimated at $1.5 million per year, based on the equipment changes and administrative work necessary. This amendment is unlikely to have any discernible effects on regional balance, technological progress, the environment, output and employment, or market structure and competition. The effects upon income distribution, energy consumption and international trade are expected to be slight. This amendment does not affect paperburden.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

First quarter, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **736 TC - B 87**

736. Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations - amendments to CMVSS 301.1 and 301.2 Gaseous Fuel System Requirements.

Description

The regulations applying to vehicles using gaseous fuels reference extensively codes for fuel system design which are published by the Canadian Gas Association. These codes have been amended since they were first referenced in the regulations. These amendments would adopt the up-to-date codes which reflect current design philosophies. In addition, more stringent requirements for flexible hose would be introduced, to prevent leakage of propane.

Statutory Authority

Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Anticipated Impact

An improvement in safety will be realized at an estimated annual cost of $53,000 ($13.25 per vehicle), which would result from the more expensive hose. This amendment is unlikely to have any discernible effects on regional balance, technological progress, the environment, output and employment, market structure and competition. The effects upon income distribution, energy consumption and international trade are expected to be slight. This amendment does not affect paperburden.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

The proposal was published in Canada Gazette Part I on June 7, 1986. Part II publication planned for second quarter, 1987.

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Title of Proposal 737 TC - B 87

737. Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations - amendment to CMVSS 204 "Steering Column Rearward Displacement".

Description

CMVSS 204 provides protection from injuries associated with the driver striking the steering wheel but has been applicable only to vehicles of less than 1800 kilograms weight, exempting most light trucks and vans. This amendment will extend the applicability to vehicles of less than 2500 kilograms weight. The anticipated effective date is September 1, 1989.

Statutory Authority

Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Anticipated Impact

This amendment would follow a similar amendment in the United States. As most vehicles already comply with the requirement, the cost of the amendment will be small. This amendment is unlikely to have any discernible effects on regional balance, technological progress, the environment, output and employment, market structure and competition. The effects upon income distribution, energy consumption and international trade are expected to be slight. This amendment does not affect paperburden.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

First quarter, 1987.

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Title of Proposal 738 TC - B 87

738. Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations - Snowmobiles.

Description

In an effort to update and harmonize the safety standards applying to snowmobiles, it is proposed that the current standards be revoked and the Snowmobile Safety and Certification Committee Inc. standards be adopted in their place.

This amendment would become effective upon publication in Part II of the Canada Gazette which is planned for the third quarter of 1987.

Statutory Authority

Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Anticipated Impact

The requirements set out in this proposal do not impose any additional costs to the industry. This amendment is unlikely to have any discernible effects on regional balance, technological progress, the environment, output and employment, market structure and competition. The effects upon income distribution, energy consumption and international trade are expected to be slight. This amendment does not affect paperburden.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

First quarter, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **739 TC - B 87**

739. Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations - miscellaneous amendments to CMVSS 108 - "Lighting Equipment".

Description

Several industry standards referenced in this standard have been superseded by later editions which, if adopted, would increase safety by ensuring improved performance or durability of lighting equipment on new vehicles sold in Canada, and would harmonize the Canadian regulation with those of other countries. Additional equipment to make heavy trucks and trailers, and motorcycles, more visible at night may be required. Parts of the standard specifying where lighting devices must be situated on the vehicle will be clarified in response to questions from vehicle manufacturers, particularly small Canadian businesses.

Statutory Authority

Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Anticipated Impact

The additional lighting equipment is expected to reduce the number of nighttime accidents involving large commercial vehicles by 5 to 10 per cent. Manufacturers will benefit from harmonized regulations by being able to design lighting devices to meet one set of international requirements rather than two or more different national ones. Canadian lighting equipment manufacturers are expected to benefit directly through increased product sales. This regulation is unlikely to have any discernible effects on regional balance, technological progress, the environment, output and employment, market structure and competition. The effects upon income distribution, energy consumption and trade are expected to be negligible. This amendment does not affect paperburden. More straightforward regulatory language is expected to reduce the number of recalls by making the regulations easier to understand by small business.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **740 TC - B 87**

740. Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations - Tire Selection and Rims.

Description

These amendments were proposed by the department as part of a general editorial revision to correct minor errors and further clarify the intent of the regulations. In general, these amendments propose to define the maximum load on a tire as that marked on the sidewall and to specify the units for vehicle mass. These amendments would become effective upon publication in Part II of the Canada Gazette which is planned for the third quarter of 1987.

Statutory Authority

Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Anticipated Impact

Since these proposed changes are editorial in nature and the intent is similar to the existing regulation, there will be no additional economic impact.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

The proposed amendment to Safety Standard 120 was published June 14, 1986 in the Canada Gazette Part I. Standard 110 is expected to published in the Canada Gazette Part I in the third quarter of 1986.

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Title of Proposal **741 TC - B 87**

741. Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations - Definition of Vehicle Fuel Tank Capacity.

Description

In order to harmonize Canadian and U.S. regulations and to ensure that a single method for filling test vehicles is used throughout the standards, an amendment to the definition of "Vehicle Fuel Tank Capacity" will be made.

Statutory Authority

Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Anticipated Impact

Harmonization and simplification of the test methods for motor vehicles will result in reduced testing costs for vehicle manufacturers. This regulation is unlikely to have any discernible effects on regional balance, technological progress, the environment, output and employment, market structure and competition. The effects upon income distribution, energy consumption and trade are expected to be slight. This amendment does not affect paperburden.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **742 TC - B 87**

742. Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations - CMVSS 213 and 213.1 "Child Restraint Systems".

Description

Currently automotive child seats are not certified for use on aircraft. In order to allow tetherless child and infant restraints which are suitable for use in automobile to be used in aircraft, a new inversion test will be required for all child and infant restraints. This test requirement is anticipated to become effective September 1987.

Statutory Authority

Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Anticipated Impact

Since all restraints currently on the market are expected to pass the requirement easily, and since certification for use on aircraft is at the discretion of the manufactuter, the impact on industry will be minimal. Members of the public have expressed a desire to restrain children in aircraft using automotive type restraints. This amendment is unlikely to have any discernible effects on regional balance, technological progress, the environment, output and employment, market structure and competition. The effects upon income distribution, energy consumption and international trade are expected to be slight. This amendment does not affect paperburden.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal 743 TC - B 87

743. Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations - Motorcycle Noise.

Description

This amendment responds to a request from the motorcycle industry to update and harmonize the safety standard that applies to motorcycle noise because the current test method incorporated in the standard is inappropriate and not acceptable.

This amendment would become effective upon publication in Part II of the Canada Gazette, planned for the first quarter of 1968.

Statutory Authority

Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Anticipated Impact

The reduced noise level requirements set out in this proposal are estimated to affect 10 per cent of the motorcycle fleet at an annual cost of $1.9 million. The effects upon income distribution, energy consumption and international trade are expected to be slight.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

First quarter, 1987.

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Title of Proposal **744 TC - B 87**

744. Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations - amendment to CMVSS 123 "Motorcycle Controls and Displays".

Description

This amendment would require the marking of safety-related controls and instrument displays on new motorcycles with specific internationally-agreed symbols in order to ensure that operators, whatever their mother tongue, understand the function of the controls and displays. This initiative will thus increase the likelihood of correct operator response and thereby reduce the risk of road accidents. It will also facilitate international trade by aligning the Canadian regulation with similar U.S. and European requirements.

Statutory Authority

Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Anticipated Impact

This regulation is unlikely to have any discernible effects on regional balance, technological progress, the environment, output and employment, market structure and competition, income distribution and energy consumption. International trade will be facilitated by the elimination of a technical trade barrier. This amendment does not affect paperburden.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

First quarter, 1987.

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ROUTINE INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **745 TC - C 87**

745. Motor Vehicle Tire Safety Regulations - general update.

Description

These amendments propose to place the test method within the body of the standard and make other minor editorial changes to improve compatability with similar U.S. regulations.

These amendments were initiated at the request of the tire industry, and would be effective immediately upon publication in Part II of the Canada Gazette, planned for the third quarter of 1987.

Statutory Authority

Motor Vehicle Tire Safety Act.

Anticipated Impact

These amendments will reduce testing costs borne by the tire manufacturing industry. This amendment is unlikely to have any discernible effects on regional balance, technological progress, the environment, output and employment, and market structure and competition. The effects upon income distribution, energy consumption and international trade are expected to be slight. This amendment does not affect paperburden.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Third quarter, 1986.

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Title of Proposal **746 TC - C 87**

746. Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations - Export and Interprovincial Shipments.

Description

The proposed amendment would allow passenger cars, multi-purpose vehicles and trucks that are classified as motorcycles in the United States to be exported to the United States without meeting the Canadian Safety Standards applicable thereto.

The amendment was proposed as the result of a request from a Canadian importer to export non-complying vehicles to the United States, and would permit Canadian manufacturers to produce these vehicles for the U.S. market.

This amendment would become effective upon publication in Part II of the Canada Gazette estimated to be in the third quarter of 1987.

Statutory Authority

Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Anticipated Impact

This amendment is unlikely to have any discernible effects on regional balance, technological progress, the environment, output and employment, market structure and competition. The effects upon income distribution, energy consumption and international trade are expected to be slight. This amendment does not affect paperburden.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **747 TC - C 87**

747. Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations - amendments to CMVSS 209 "Seat Belt Assemblies".

Description

The purposes of the amendments are to harmonize the regulation with that of the United States, to update the standard, to allow the use of an energy-absorbing seat belt and to add two definitions. These amendments will be effective upon the date of registration.

Statutory Authority

Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Anticipated Impact

The effect of the amendments will be to update the standard and harmonize it with the U.S. equivalent.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Published in the Canada Gazette Part I, February 22, 1986. Publication of the federal regulation is expected in the first quarter of 1987.

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Title of Proposal 748 TC - C 87

748. Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations - amendment to CMVSS 213.2 "Booster Cushions" - Technical Adjustment.

Description

A potential hazard exists that could result from very small children using booster cushions before they are of a size where it is safe for them to do so. To some extent this can be remedied by ensuring that booster cushions are not designed to be used by children who weigh less than 40 pounds. An amendment will be made to CMVSS 213.2 effective on the date of registration.

Statutory Authority

Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Anticipated Impact

This amendment will improve child safety in automobiles. This amendment is unlikely to have any discernible effects on regional balance, technological progress, the environment, output and employment, market structure and competition. The effects upon income distribution, energy consumption and international trade are expected to be slight. This amendment does not affect paperburden.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal 749 TC - C 87

749. Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations - amendment to CMVSS 106 "Brake Hoses" and CMVSS 116 "Brake Fluid".

Description

This amendment will change the standard reference fluid required for tests contained in these standards, because the previous fluid is no longer available. The adhesion test for brake hoses will also be revised. The amendment will ensure that brake components continue to be tested properly and will remove technical inconsistencies between the Canadian and U.S. regulations, thus reducing manufacturers' compliance test costs.

Statutory Authority

Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Anticipated Impact

Adoption of the new test fluid will have no detrimental effect on safety. The improved repeatability of new adhesion test will better assure manufacturers of compliance with the regulation and therefore reduce the risk of product recall. This regulation is unlikely to have any discernible effects on regional balance, technological progress, the environment, output and employment, market structure and competition, income distribution, or energy consumption. Manufacturers' compliance testing costs will be reduced because the new fluid is considerably less expensive than the old. This amendment does not affect paperburden.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

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Title of Proposal **750 TC - C 87**

750. Motor Vehicle Safety Regulations - amendment to CMVSS 210 "Seat Belt Assembly Anchorages".

Description

Certain types of automatic protection may not include the installation of a lap belt in the front passenger seating positions. In order to ensure that child restraints can be installed in those seating positions, an amendment will be introduced to require the installation of seat belt anchorages in such a case. This amendment will become effective late in 1988.

Statutory Authority

Motor Vehicle Safety Act.

Anticipated Impact

This amendment would create harmony with a similar U.S. regulation. The number of cases where the regulation would apply is expected to be few. This amendment is unlikely to have any discernible effects on regional balance, technological progress, the environment, output and employment, market structure and competition. The effects upon income distribution, energy consumption and international trade are expected to be slight. This amendment does not affect paperburden.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Fourth quarter, 1987.

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TRANSPORT OF DANGEROUS GOODS DIRECTORATE

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **751 TC - A 87**

751. Amendments to the Transportation of Dangerous Goods Regulations.

Description

The amendments consist of major changes to the regulations designed to reduce the impact of the regulations on industry, facilitate international trade and reduce the administrative burden associated with, among other things, issuance of permits for exception and equivalent levels of safety. These amendments do not increase the risk associated with handling, offering for transport or transporting dangerous goods.

Samples of these major amendments include changes such as the following:

a) Amendments to Section 2.21 to expand certain exemptions to the regulations for the transportation by road of dangerous goods in quantities less than 500 kg. Prior to this amendment, the exemption applied only to transportation from a retail outlet to a place of residence or place of consumption. This will eliminate an unnecessary impact on the small business community.

b) Amendments to Section 2.7 and Schedule VIII will allow greater quantities of certain dangerous goods (e.g. certain moderately flammable liquids), to be transported as consumer commodities. This will eliminate the excessive regulation of such goods as paints, paint products, windshield washer fluid, etc.

c) Amendments to Section 5 will remove the placarding requirement for all Class 1.4 explosives, e.g. signal flares, transported by road; all other explosives (except 1.1(A) in quantities less than 25 kg; and explosives 1.1(A) in quantities less than 500 g. This will eliminate regulatory burden in recognition of the low level of hazard associated with the transportation of these products. Also a move towards greater compatibility with the United States Regulations.

d) Amendments to Section 5 will allow transporters of radioactive material the option of using the word "radioactive" on placards. This will clarify the regulations, eliminate unnecessary regulatory burden and ensure compatability with the United States and international regulations so as to avoid having to change placards during transborder and international transport.

Statutory Authority
Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act.

Anticipated Impact
Overall, the effect of these amendments will be to reduce significantly the impact of the regulations on industry. There will, however, be no decrease in the level of safety associated with handling, offering for transport or transporting dangerous goods as a result of these changes.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
It is anticipated that these Regulations will be published in the Canada Gazette at monthly intervals throughout 1987.

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Title of Proposal **752 TC - A 87**
752. Amendments to the Transportation of Dangerous Goods Regulations; Initiatives regarding the regulation of waste.

Description
The amendments consist of changes to the regulations in respect of wastes which have been initiated at the request of the provinces and Environment Canada.

A major amendment will allow industry to classify 9.3 goods (dangerous waste) and provide a test to accomplish this classification.

In addition there will be several minor and rouutine amendments such as:

- a minor amendment adding two new waste types to Schedule II to describe properties of wastes not currently described in the regulations.
- a minor amendment proposing a form which can be used for pre-notification as required in Section 7.14 of the regulations; and a routine amendment to change the design of the waste manifest.

Statutory Authority
Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act.

Anticipated Impact
Environment Canada will be preparing the Regulatory Impact Analysis Statement of these regulations. At this time the form of the regulations has not yet been finalized and as such it is not possible to estimate the overall impact they might have.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
It is planned to pre-publish these amendments in the Canada Gazette at monthly intervals throughout 1987.

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MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **753 TC - B 87**
753. Amendments to the Transportation of Dangerous Goods Regulations: Schedules 5 through 7.

Description
1. Schedule 5.
This schedule of amendments consists of minor changes to the regulations, for example:

- allowing the use of the name "liquefied petroleum gas" and the PIN "1075" for the transportation of certain gases by road or rail;
- changing documentation regulations to include multiple "collections" of gas cylinders as per regulations pertaining to multiple "deliveries" of same; and
- clarifying the placarding system for mixed loads of compressed gases.

2. Schedule 6.
Amendments contained in this schedule are for purposes of removing regulations in respect of less dangerous ammonium nitrate fertilizers which were inadvertently included with the strong oxidizer group of chemicals.

3. Schedule 7.
Amendments included in schedule 7 are for purposes of reciprocity with the United States 49 CFR (Code of Federal Regulations). A new "RESIDU(E)" placard will replace the "EMPTY/VIDE" placard originally contained in the regulations.

Statutory Authority

Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act.

Anticipated Impact

There are no allocative costs or non-allocative effects associated with these amendments. The changes will reduce the impact of the regulations on industry and, as the changes reflect current safe practices, there will be no subsequent reduction in safety.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

The schedules were published in the Canada Gazette Part I on August 9, 1986. Anticipated date of promulgation, fourth quarter 1986.

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Title of Proposal **754 TC - B 87**

754. Amendments to the Transportation of Dangerous Goods Regulations, Schedule 8.

Description

This schedule of amendments consists of minor changes to the regulations including:

- updating Schedule II, including consequential amendments to the test of the regulations;
- reducing the regulatory requirements for dangerous goods included in Division 2 of Class 9 (hazardous to the environment);
- regulating dangerous goods included in Division 1 of Class 6, (poisonous substances), Packing Group III, transported by rail or road, which were not previously regulated or were regulated as environmental hazards only; this initiative ensures segregation of these goods from foodstuffs during transport and ensures consistency with international requirements; and
- regulating dangerous goods included in Class 3.3 (flammable liquids), that are transported by road or rail and have a flash point up to 61 degrees Celsius for consistency with international requirements.

Statutory Authority

Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act.

Anticipated Impact

Industry will realize a minor economic impact as a result of these amendments since more flammable liquids and goods classified as 6.1 will fall under regulation. One should note that these products are currently regulated for any international consignments. This will result in increased responsibility regarding documentation, labelling and placarding, (for large quantities), of these newly regulated goods. It is expected however, that the "marginal" cost associated with this increased responsibility will be small.

With respect to Class 6.1, many of these goods are currently regulated as Class 9.2. As such, the only incremental costs are those associated with labelling and, when transported in large quantities, placarding.

A benefit of these amendments in respect of Class 3.3 goods will be the reduction in inconsistencies between Canadian and international regulations.

Amendments to regulations in respect of goods included in Division 2 of Class 9 will reduce the impact of the regulation on industry.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

The schedule will be published in the Canada Gazette, Part I on September 6, 1986. Anticipated date of promulgation, fourth quarter 1986.

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Title of Proposal 755 TC - B 87

755. Amendments to the Transportation of Dangerous Goods Regulations.

Description

The amendments consist of minor changes designed to reduce the impact of the regulations on industry and reduce the administrative burden for government, e.g. by reducing the requirement for permits. The amendments do not increase the risk associated with handling, offering for transport or transporting dangerous goods, rather they acknowledge equivalent safety in practice.

Samples of these minor amendments include changes such as the following:

a) Simplify the documentation, labelling and placarding requirements for the transportation of empty drums containing dangerous goods residue. This will remove an unnecessary cost to industry at the request of industry, the provinces and the inspection forces.

b) Easing the documentation requirements for testing equipment that contain radioactive material. This action will reduce industry's paperburden and replace permits with no compromise to safety.

c) Allowing the use of the Emergency Response Form as a shipping document. This will reduce industry's paperburden.

d) Add the phrase "and description" to paragraph 5.16 (b). This will clarify the regulations with respect to placarding.

Statutory Authority

Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act.

Anticipated Impact

Overall, the effect of these amendments will be to reduce the impact of the regulations on industry and reduce the cost of administering the regulations while at the same time maintaining an equivalent level of safety.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

It is estimated that these amendments will be published in the Canada Gazette at monthly intervals throughout 1987.

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Title of Proposal **756 TC - B 87**

756. Amendments to the Transportation of Dangerous Goods Regulations; Parts VI, VII and VIII.

Description

Amendments to Parts VI, VII and VIII will include safety standards for the manufacturing of packings, cylinders and tanks and their certification and safety requirements for the handling, offering for transport and transporting of dangerous goods.

Statutory Authority

Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act.

Anticipated Impact

Overall, these amendments will have little to no economic impact on industry while at the same time maintaining the level of safety. Part VI will adopt concensus standards e.g. preliminary Canadian Standards Association standard B338 - highway and portable tanks, and B339 - cylinders and tubes. Part VII and VIII, except for the highway mode, will incorporate existing regulations, e.g., Dangerous Goods Shipping Regulations, International Civil Aviation Organization Technical Instruction, Canadian Transport Commission, Atomic Energy Control Board, etc. The form for Parts VII and VIII governing highway transport has not yet been determined and as such the impact of the changes cannot yet be estimated.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Second quarter, 1987.

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ROUTINE INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **757 TC - C 87**

757. Amendments to the Transportation of Dangerous Goods Regulations.

Description

The amendments consist of routine changes designed primarily to clarify the intent of the regulations and correct errors in the text. These amendments will have no effect on industry, other than to clarify the regulations, and will not compromise safety.

Samples of these routine amendments include changes such as the following:

a) Updating definitions of the International Maritime Dangerous Goods Code and the International Civil Aviation Organization Technical Instructions to incorporate latest amendments to same and to provide consistency with international regulations.

b) Correcting text as requested by the Standing Joint Committee of the Senate and of the House of Commons on Regulations and Other Statutory Instruments, e.g. typos and corrections to clarify legal terms.

c) Correcting discrepancies in the text, i.e. the removal of the term "small container" from section 5.10(a) to clarify the Regulations.

d) Adding new definitions, e.g. "Drombox/Dropbox" to clarify the regulations.

Statutory Authority
Transportation of Dangerous Goods Act.

Anticipated Impact
These amendments will have no effect on industry other than to clarify the regulations and facilitate international trade.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
It is anticipated that these Regulations will be published in the Canada Gazette at monthly intervals throughout 1987.

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TREASURY BOARD OF CANADA

Roles and Responsibilities

The Treasury Board is a committee of the Queen's Privy Council for Canada. The Board consists of the President of the Treasury Board, the Minister of Finance and four other Ministers who are nominated from time to time by the Governor in Council.

The Treasury Board Secretariat, headed by the Secretary, is one of two organizations serving the Treasury Board. The other is the Office of the Comptroller General of Canada. Both the Secretary and the Comptroller General report to the President of the Treasury Board.

The principal legislative authorities for the Treasury Board are the Financial Administration Act and the Public Service Staff Relations Act. The Treasury Board is also authorized by the Governor in Council to implement certain provisions of the Official Languages Act as it applies to the Public Service, the Public Service Superannuation Act, the Supplementary Retirement Benefits Act and other superannuation acts. As well, the Board is assigned responsibilities in a number of other acts, usually as part of an approval process.

TREASURY BOARD OF CANADA

ROUTINE INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **758 TBS - C 87**
758. Amendment to Crown Corporation Summaries Regulations.

Description

The purpose of this proposal is twofold:

a) to make the deadline dates for tabling summaries of corporate plans and summaries of budgets coincide, for the convenience of both Crown corporations and appropriate Ministers;

b) to simplify the task of reporting to Parliament, by the President of the Treasury Board, on compliance with the reporting requirements of Part XII of the Financial Administration Act (FAA) and associated regulations.

This will be accomplished through amendment to the existing Crown Corporation Summaries Regulations by making the "trigger" date for calculating the tabling deadline for budgets the same as the approval date of the accompanying corporate plan.

Statutory Authority

FAA, Part XII, subsection 133(a).

Anticipated Impact

The impact will be confined to Crown corporations listed on Schedule C of the FAA and their appropriate Ministers.

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VETERANS AFFAIRS CANADA

Roles and Responsibilities

The objective of the Department of Veterans Affairs Program is to provide support for the economic, social, mental and physical well-being of veterans and their dependants and other eligible persons. The range of services provided to veterans, dependants and survivors includes the payment of allowances and benefits, counselling, authorization of payments to eligible veterans for provision of medical, surgical and dental treatment, prosthetic appliances and long-term care and the acquisition of title to property on which the veteran has been established.

The following constitute the legal mandate of the Department of Veterans Affairs:

1. Acts

Allied Veterans Benefits Act
Children of War Dead (Education Assistance) Act
Civilian War Pensions and Allowances Act (Part XI)
Department of Veterans Affairs Act
Fire Fighters War Service Benefits Act
Returned Soldiers' Insurance Act
Soldiers' Settlement Act
Supervisors' War Service Benefits Act
Veterans Benefit Act
Veterans Insurance Act
Veterans' Land Act
Veterans' Rehabilitation Act
War Service Grants Act
War Veterans Allowance Act
Women's Royal Naval Service and the South African Military Nursing Service (Benefits) Act

2. Regulations

Assistance Fund (WVA and CWA) Regulations
Guardianship of Veterans' Property Regulations
Last Post Fund Regulations
Pensioners Training Regulations
Vetcraft Shops Regulations
Veterans Burial Regulations
Veterans Estates Regulations
Veterans Treatment Regulations
Veterans Care Regulations

VETERANS AFFAIRS CANADA

MAJOR INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **759 VAC - A 87**

759. Regulations consequential to new legislation.

Description

It is expected that the Speech from the Throne will propose enhancements or amendments to the legislation governing Veterans Affairs.

Statutory Authority

Regulations are consequential to the amended/new legislation.

Anticipated Impact

The amended/new legislation will affect, at most, some 300,000 veterans with service in a theatre of war.

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MINOR INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **760 VAC - B 87**

760. Reforming ineffective or counterproductive regulations.

Description

Review of all existing departmental regulations.

Statutory Authority

All regulations were made pursuant to one or more of the 27 acts administered by the department. Changes or deletions to the regulations will be proposed pursuant to the same 27 acts.

Anticipated Impact

The regulations affect, at most, some 300,000 veterans with service during wartime. However, many existing regulations have a minimal impact on this population.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Spring/Summer 1987 for Phase I.
End of 1987 for Phase II.

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AGENCIES

ATOMIC ENERGY CONTROL BOARD

Roles and Responsibilities

The Atomic Energy Control Board (AECB) provides for the control of the development, application and use of atomic energy in Canada, and participates on behalf of Canada in international measures of control.

It achieves this control through a comprehensive licensing system that covers all dealings in prescribed substances and equipment to assure that such substances and equipment are utilized with proper consideration for health and safety, environmental protection and security. The licensing system is administered with the cooperation of other federal and provincial government departments in such areas as health, environment, transport and labour. This enables the concerns and responsibilities of these departments to be taken into account before licences are issued by the Atomic Energy Control Board, providing that there is no conflict with provisions of the Atomic Energy Control Act and Regulations.

This control also extends to import and export of prescribed substances and equipment, and involves Canadian participation in activities of the International Atomic Energy Agency and the requirements of the Treaty on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons. It covers both national and international security of nuclear materials and the safeguarding of nuclear materials.

The Board reports to Parliament through a designated Minister, currently the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources.

The AECB was established in 1946 by the Atomic Energy Control Act. It is a departmental corporation (Schedule B) within the meaning and purpose of the Financial Administration Act. The Atomic Energy Control Act gives the Atomic Energy Control Board broad powers of regulations without specific definition of their application to the various activities subject to the Act.

It is also responsible for the administration of the Nuclear Liability Act, including the designation of nuclear installations and prescription of the amount of basic insurance, with the approval of the Treasury Board, to be carried by the operators of such designated nuclear installations.

ATOMIC ENERGY CONTROL BOARD

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **761 AECB - A 87**
761. Uranium and Thorium Mining Regulations.

Description

Uranium mines are nuclear facilities which must be licensed for construction and operation. Among other things, these regulations specify the information required in an application for a licence, permit the Board or a designated officer to issue a licence with terms and conditions, impose requirements respecting occupational health and safety of workers and protection of the environment, establish worker training and medical surveillance requirements, establish the right of appeal to regulatory decisions and establish the right of Board appointed inspectors to inspect and issue directives.

The proposal is being made in response to criticism from industry, labour, the Standing Joint Committee on Regulations and Other Statutory Instruments, and by the Cluff Lake Board of Inquiry, that standard regulatory requirements should be in regulations rather than in licence conditions. The proposal will also address administrative law requirements concerning fairness and respond to comments from the Standing Joint Committee on the need for criteria in the use of discretionary power, the requirement to observe minimum standards of natural justice when a decision of the Board adversely affects a person and the need to be specific when stating information requirements.

The proposal is planned to come into effect immediately on proclamation and will not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Atomic Energy Control Act Section 9.

Anticipated Impact

Socio-economic impact analysis indicates a direct cost to the uranium industry of approximately five million dollars in the first year, with decreasing costs thereafter.

Contact

Mr. P.E. Hamel, Secretary, Atomic Energy Control Board,
270 Albert Street, Ottawa, Ontario, K1P 5S9.
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Title of Proposal **762 AECB - A 87**

762. Uranium Mines (Saskatchewan) Occupational Health and Safety Regulations.

Description

As a result of changes to the Canada Labour Code, a reference to Saskatchewan Occupational Health and Safety Regulations in the Code, is no longer possible. This regulation will permit Saskatchewan to continue to implement these laws under the authority of the Atomic Energy Control Act.

Statutory Authority

Atomic Energy Control Act Section 9.

Anticipated Impact

No socio-economic impact on industry or members of the public. Some additional administrative cost to the Federal Government.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

March 1987.

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Title of Proposal **763 AECB - A 87**

763. General amendments to the Atomic Energy Control Regulations.

Description

The Atomic Energy Control Regulations have not been amended in any significant way since 1974. These amendments are intended to incorporate changes in regulatory process that have developed since 1974, new provisions which address administrative law developments concerning fairness and technical changes in the requirements for radiation health and safety which have been recommended by international experts. The amendments will also include consolidation of (existing) Uranium and Thorium Mining Regulations, Physical Security Regulations and Transport Packaging of Radioactive Materials Regulations with the Atomic Energy Control Regulations. The amendments should come into effect immediately on proclamation and will not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Atomic Energy Control Act Section 9.

Anticipated Impact

Significant impact on the nuclear industry in terms of regulatory process, and radiation protection requirements. A detailed impact analysis is being prepared.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

These amendments have been published for public comment in 1986, but will be pre-published again in December 1987.

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MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **764 AECB - B 87**

764. Amendments to the Transport Packaging of Radioactive Materials Regulations.

Description

Minor corrections of typographical errors and clarification of existing regulations amendments at the request of the Standing Joint Committee on Regulations and other Statutory Instruments. Minor changes to bring existing regulations into conformity with internationally accepted guidelines for transport of radioactive materials. Changes are to come into effect immediately on proclamation and will not contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Atomic Energy Control Act Section 9.

Anticipated Impact

Very minor impact on some shippers of radioactive materials.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

October 1986.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **765 AECB - B 87**

765. Amendment to the Atomic Energy Control Regulations respecting application.

Description

This amendment will exclude from the application of the Atomic Energy Control Regulations, except for purposes of import control, any naturally occurring radioactive material that is present in a mineral or other material and which has not been related to an activity associated with the development, application or use of atomic energy. The Regulations will therefore not apply to many industrial materials which are "incidentally" radioactive but not associated with the nuclear fuel cycle or other uses of radioactive material. The amendment is the result of lengthy discussions with provinces concerning the sharing of jurisdiction for these types of materials. The amendment should come into effect immediately on proclamation and will contain a sunset provision.

Statutory Authority

Atomic Energy Control Act Section 9.

Anticipated Impact

The amendment will have no direct impact on AECB operations or the public that it serves. Provincial governments are expected to regulate any materials excluded by this amendment.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

October 1986.

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ROUTINE INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **766 AECB - C 87**

766. Uranium Mines (Ontario) Occupational Health and Safety Regulations - amendments that arise from changes to referenced Ontario Regulations.

Description

The Uranium Mines (Ontario) Occupational Health and Safety Regulations enable the application of Ontario laws respecting non-radiological health and safety in uranium mines, as they are applied in all other Ontario mines. To ensure conformity, the legal reference in federal regulations must be amended each time the Ontario Occupational Health and Safety Act and Regulations thereof are amended. This occurs once or twice a year on a schedule entirely determined by Ontario. On each occasion, Ontario informs the Atomic Energy Control Board in sufficient time to ensure that federal regulations are amended concurrently. Experience so far indicates that it would be extremely difficult to superimpose the new federal regulatory process on the Ontario system while ensuring concurrent proclamations.

Ontario applies a process of public consultation and impact assessment which meets the intent and spirit of the Citizens's Code of Regulatory Fairness.

Statutory Authority

Atomic Energy Control Act Section 9.

Contact

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CANADIAN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

Roles and Responsibilities

The Canadian Human Rights Commission combats discrimination within federal jurisdiction.

The Commission administers the Canadian Human Rights Act which prohibits discrimination on 10 grounds: race, colour, national or ethnic origin, religion, age, sex, marital status, family status, disability and conviction for which a pardon has been granted. It is empowered to investigate complaints of discrimination, to approve settlements, to refer complaints to independent human rights tribunals and to end discriminatory policies and practices by means of education and research.

The Commission's authority encompasses all areas of federal jurisdiction including federal departments and agencies, Crown corporations, private companies which regularly transport goods or people across provincial or national borders, chartered banks, companies which handle radioactive materials, inter-provincial or international pipelines, broadcasting companies and telephone companies doing business in more than one province.

The Commission reports to Parliament through the Minister of Justice.

The Canadian Human Rights Act, S.C. 1976-77, c.33 was proclaimed in force on March 1, 1978. It was amended by S.C. 1980-81-82-83, c.111, 143, proclaimed in force on July 1, 1983, and S.C. 1985, c.26, proclaimed in force October 15, 1985.

CANADIAN HUMAN RIGHTS COMMISSION

MAJOR INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **767 CHRC - A 87**

Equal Wages Guidelines.
Guidelines on Bona Fide Occupational Requirements.
Guidelines on Bona Fide Justifications.

Description

Statutory instrument - interpretation guide of the Canadian Human Rights Act.

Statutory Authority

Section 22(2) of the Canadian Human Rights Act.

Anticipated Impact

These guidelines will bind all federally-regulated employers and suppliers of services.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

1987.

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CANADIAN RADIO-TELEVISION AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

Roles and Responsibilities

The Canadian Radio-television and Telecommunications Commission (CRTC) is an independent public authority established by Parliament in 1968 by the Broadcasting Act to regulate and supervise all aspects of the Canadian broadcasting system. Its responsibilities were enlarged in 1976 by the CRTC Act, under which the Commission assumed responsibility for regulating telecommunications carriers within federal jurisdiction, in accordance with the Railway Act and the National Transportation Act.

The CRTC Act provides for the appointment of nine full-time members, who are referred to in the Act as the Executive Committee, and ten part-time members.

After consulting with part-time members, the Executive Committee makes decisions with respect to all broadcast licensing matters except revocations, and determines general broadcasting policies. The full Commission, including both the Executive and part-time members, revokes broadcasting licences, prescribes classes of broadcasting licences and makes regulations and rules of procedure. Full-time Commissioners and, on occasion, part-time members or other persons designated under Section 81 of the National Transportation Act sit on telecommunications hearings. Only full-time Commissioners, however, make decisions on telecommunications matters.

Under the Broadcasting Act, the CRTC must "regulate and supervise all aspects of the Canadian broadcasting system" with a view to implementing the policy outlined by Parliament in section 3 of the Act. The CRTC regulates both public and private broadcasters, and has the power to issue, renew, amend, suspend, or revoke licences and to set conditions of licence for the achievement of the objectives of the Act.

Every broadcasting decision and order of the Commission is final and conclusive except that the issue, amendment, or renewal of any broadcasting licence may be set aside, or may be referred back to the Commission for reconsideration and hearing by order of the Governor in Council.

An appeal against a broadcasting decision or order of the Commission may be made to the Federal Court of Appeal, upon a question of law or a question of jurisdiction.

The CRTC's regulatory mandate with respect to telecommunications derives from several statutes, including the Railway Act and certain provisions of the National Transportation Act that apply to telecommunications, and the acts of incorporation of the federally-regulated carriers. Section 320 of the Railway Act requires that a carrier's rates be filed for approval by the Commission, and section 321 states that all such rates shall be just and reasonable, and that a carrier shall not unjustly discriminate or be given any undue preference or advantage in respect of its rates, services, or facilities.

Under section 64 of the National Transportation Act, the Governor in Council can vary or rescind, but not refer back, decisions made by the Commission relating to the federally regulated telecommunications carriers.

CANADIAN RADIO-TELEVISION AND TELECOMMUNICATIONS COMMISSION

1. INTRODUCTION

Explanatory Note

The following is issued for information purposes only. It is neither a promise of action nor a promise to legislate and it is not legally binding on the Commission. It serves as a guide for readers who may wish to obtain more information on particular initiatives.

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II. Regulatory Responsibilities of the CRTC

The CRTC is an independent public authority established by Parliament. The Broadcasting Act of 1968, as amended by the CRTC Act of 1976, sets out the Commission's powers and obligations with respect to the regulation and supervision of all aspects of the Canadian broadcasting system. Under the CRTC Act, the Commission also has responsibility for regulating telecommunications carriers within federal jurisdiction, in accordance with the Railway Act and the National Transportation Act.

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The full-time members of the Commission are: André Bureau (Chairman), Réal Therrien and John Lawrence (Vice-Chairmen), Monique Coupal, Rosalie Gower, Paul McRae, Jean-Pierre Mongeau, James Robson and Louis R. (Bud) Sherman. The part-time members are: Ronald Baker, Marianne Barrie, Normand F. Carrier, Jacques de la Chevrotière, Anthony Iacobaccio, Sally Merchant, Steve Patrick and Philip Warren.

Broadcasting

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The CRTC's regulatory mandate with respect to telecommunications derives from several statutes, including certain provisions of the Railway Act and of the

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An appeal against a telecommunications decision or order of the Commission may be made to the Federal Court of Appeal upon a question of law or a question of jurisdiction.

BROADCASTING

Canadian Content in Country Music 768 CRTC - 87

Current Status

In a notice dated 18 June 1984, the Commission formally adopted the recommendations of the Consultative Committee on Music on FM Radio. At the same time, the Commission noted the view expressed by a number of country broadcasters that there is insufficient material to maintain the 30 per cent content guideline for Canadian music established for stations specializing in country music. Subsequently, the Commission conducted a study of the Canadian country music industry and of the availability of all types of Canadian country music. It also received a submission from the Canadian Association of Broadcasters (CAB) with recommendations on this topic. On 4 November 1986, the commission issued a public notice setting forth the results of its study and the recommendations contained in the CAB submission.

Disposition

Comments in response to the 4 November 1986 public notice should be submitted on or before 5 December 1986. The Commission intends to issue a further notice on this subject following its consideration of comments received.

Reference Documents

Public Notices CRTC 1984-151 and CRTC 1986-307.

Proposed Policy on Community Television 769 CRTC - 87

Current Status

On 23 July 1986, the Commission issued proposed new Regulations Respecting Television Broadcasting and, in the same notice, called for comments on a proposed policy for community television. The community television policy would provide the framework for the introduction of local over-the-air community television operation in remote or underserved communities not large enough to support a full range of Canadian over-the-air services.

Comments on the policy proposals for community television were discussed at a 30 September 1986 public hearing in Hull at the same time as the Commission heard submissions regarding the proposed television regulations.

Disposition

A further notice on the subject of community television will be issued by the Commission following completion of its deliberations.

Reference Document

Public Notice CRTC 1986-176.

Recognition for Canadian Programs Production Packages 770 CRTC - 87

Current Status

On 15 April 1984, the Commission outlined its criteria for the recognition of Canadian programs. Among the programs recognized as Canadian are "production packages" in which a production that qualifies as a Canadian production, with minor foreign involvement, is matched with a foreign production, with minor Canadian involvement. To date, there has not been extensive use made of this provision. Recently, Telefilm Canada introduced a new production arrangement, referred to as "twinning", in which a fully Canadian production would be matched with a foreign production, with virtually no Canadian involvement other than a financial one.

On 23 July 1986, the Commission invited comments on the subject of production packages in general and, in particular, on the interpretation of the phrase "minor involvement", to determine whether or under what conditions program produced as part of any twinning arrangement should be accepted as Canadian programs. The deadline for submission of comments was 29 August 1986.

Disposition

The Commission intends to issue a futher notice on this subject shortly, following its consideration of comments received.

Reference Documents

Public Notices CRTC 1984-94 and 1986-179.

Call for Applications for Canadian Specialty Services

771 CRTC - 87

Current Status

On 13 August 1986, the Commission called for applications for new Canadian specialty networks. Specifically, the Commission indicated that it was prepared to consider proposals for new French-language specialty services of all types as well as for new English-language services in formats not yet authorized. Such proposals may include applications for all-news services, "omnibus" channels and new ethnic services.

With respect to French-language services, the Commission recognized the unique requirements and characteristics of the francophone market and the importance of establishing a balance between the number of French and English language television services in these markets.

The Commission also invited applicants whose proposals for youth and family, religious and French-language video music specialty services are currently on file with the CRTC to update their applications taking into account the requirements set out in the call.

Further, all applicants and existing specialty network licensees were invited to apply to distribute their services as part of the basic service package, provided they are prepared to meet the same Canadian content requirements that apply to conventional television broadcasters. The Commission will continue to apply its existing carriage policies including the current tiering and linkage requirements to all discretionary services.

Disposition

On 27 October 1986, the Commission announced the receipt of 22 applications in response to its 13 August 1986 call. Among the applications are proposals for new family and youth services, new French-language sports and music services, ethnic services, all news services, public access/community access network services, teleshopping services and a religious programming service.

Applications were also submitted by various existing specialty network licensees requesting their distribution on the basic cable service.

On 4 November 1986, the Commission announced that it had scheduled a public hearing in February 1987. Further information regarding the hearing will follow shortly.

Reference Document

Public Notices CRTC 1986-199 and 1986-308 and news release dated 27 October 1986.

Direct-to-home Satellite Services 772 CRTC - 87

Current Status

On 9 June 1986, the Commission outlined the general regulatory approach it intends to use with regard to direct-to-home (DTH) satellite services, and invited public comments, by 29 August 1986, on the specific terms of the regulatory treatment to be accorded to such services. The Commission's announcement followed a hearing earlier this year which was initiated by Telesat Canada, Construction Program Review, during which several important regulatory policy issues regarding DTH services were raised.

Disposition

The Commission is currently reviewing the comments submitted in response to its notice and expects soon to issue a further notice on the subject of DTH services.

Reference Documents

Public Notices CRTC 1984-195 and 1986-136 and CRTC Telecom Public Notice CRTC 1985-71.

Multipoint Distribution Systems 773 CRTC - 87

Current Status

On 5 August 1986, the Commission invited public comment on the potential use of microwave frequencies in the 2500 - 2686 MHz band for television broadcasting purposes. Multipoint Distribution Systems (MDS), which are systems which make use of omnidirectional microwave frequencies for over-the-air distribution of television signals or other services to subscribers, are currently in operation in the U.S. Although the commission plans to take a flexible licensing approach, it envisages three main applications for MDS: as a cable-type, subscriber-supported means of delivering services, as a means to broadcast conventional, advertiser- or public-supported broadcasting services, or as a hybrid of the two. The deadline for the receipt of comments was 3 October 1986.

Disposition

The Commission intends to issue its MDS licensing policy following consideration of the comments it has received.

Reference Document

Public Notice CRTC 1986-191

Licence Renewal Hearings for the CBC and CTV Television Networks and for other Private Television Stations Across Canada

In 1985, following the creation of the Task Force on Broadcasting Policy, the Commission issued short-term licence renewals to 1987 for the television networks operated by the CBC (French- and English-language) and by CTV, as well as for their affiliated stations and various other private television stations across Canada, including those operated by Global in Southern Ontario.

At a Toronto public hearing on 23 September, the Commission considered applications by TVOntario for renewal of its network licence and for a new French-language educational television network licence. As well, the Commission considered the application by Global for renewal of the television licence for its six stations in southern Ontario. The CBC and CTV television network renewals were heard in the National Capital Region commencing on 15 October and 17 November 1986 respectively (CRTC Notices of Public Hearing 1986-60, 1986-61 and 1986-68).

These hearings represent the Commission's first opportunity in many years to examine the performance of these licensees and to review the contributions that they are prepared to make to the future of Canadian broadcasting. Global's licence was renewed in Decision CRTC 86-1086. Decisions on the other applications noted above will be issued in due course.

Proposed Regulations Respecting Television Broadcasting

774 CRTC - 87

Current Status

On 23 July 1986, the Commission proposed the enactment of new Regulations Respecting Television Broadcasting as the final stage of its two-year review of all broadcasting regulations. The proposed television regulations would eliminate outdated sections, update or clarify others and, in general, establish a more adaptable framework for the television broadcasting industry. The primary objective of the proposed regulations is to facilitate the development of greater quality and diversity in Canadian programming. Consistent with the goal, the CRTC also released three other public notices directly related to television regulation and policy, designed to assist local broadcasters gain access to government funds for local programs, and to extend the criteria for the recognition of Canadian programs to permit a wider variety of international co-productions involving Canadian producers.

Under the proposed regulations, the Commission would also retain the twelve-month reporting period for the measurement of Canadian content which was incorporated into the existing regulations on 29 September 1986. Based on the evidence that a majority of television licensees have made an effort to distribute Canadian programs on an equitable basis, the Commission considered it unnecessary to change the reporting requirements from an annual to a semi-annual basis. Where necessary, however, at licence renewal time, the Commission may require individual licensees to improve their performance by imposing a six-month reporting requirement, as a condition of licence.

Disposition

The Commission will annnounce the enactment of the new Regulations Respecting Television Broadcasting following its consideration of comments and submissions discussed at a 30 September 1986 public hearing in Hull.

Reference Documents

Public Notices CRTC 1983-18, 1983-264, 1984-110, 1984-194, 1984-247, 1985-82, 1985-225, 1985-232, 1986-176 to 1986-179 and 1986-270.

Other Matters

In addition to the hearing which is scheduled for February 1987 to consider applications for new Canadian specialty network services, the Commission also intends to hold a hearing in the summer of that year to consider matters related to the overall operation and performance of existing specialty networks including linkage and tiering.

Other matters which the Commission expects to be considering in 1987/1988 include applications for the licence renewal of the CBC English and French language radio networks in April 1987, a review of CRTC policies with respect to radio networking and syndication and television networking arrangements (March 1987) and possibly a review of the CRTC Broadcasting Rules of Procedure.

Resale to Provide Primary Exchange Voice Services **776 CRTC - 87**

In its decision on Interexchange Competition and Related Issues, the Commission permitted the resale of local services except primary exchange voice services. The Commission noted that the resale of primary exchange voice services issued could have substantial effects on the market; therefore, a proceeding on the resale of these services is required before a final conclusion is drawn.

Accordingly, the Commission directed Bell, B.C.Tel, Terra Nova Tel and NorthwesTel to file comments on this issue and, following their receipt, it issued a public notice on 23 January 1986, inviting further comments from interested parties on a variety of related issues. The Commission also decided that the proceeding initiated by the public notice would be appropriate for dealing with the application it had received from the Association of Competitive Telecommunications Suppliers and the Canadian Business Telecommunications Alliance, regarding the issue of resale to provide primary exchange voice services in the context of pay telephone service.

Disposition

Following consideration of comments and replies, the Commission will make its final determination.

Reference Documents

Telecom Public Notice 1986-8 and Telecom Decision 85-19.

Levels of Rates for Message Toll Service and Wide Area Telephone Service **777 CRTC - 87**

Current Status

In its decision on Interexchange Competition and Related Issues, the Commission stated that it was persuaded that a number of social and economic benefits would arise from the reduction of Bell's and B.C. Tel's MTS/WATS rates. The Commission listed several issues yet to be determined: the appropriate amount of reduction, the method to achieve it, the time period required to introduce it and the methods required to ensure the maintenance of universal access to telephone service at an affordable price.

The Commission stated its view that the opportunity for public comment on these issues should be afforded through a public process. As well, it indicated its willingness to participate in a consultative process with federal and provincial representatives. This consultative process has now been held, under the chairmanship of the

Commission representative and with representation by the Commission and each of the provinces.

As scheduled, a report arising from the federal-provincial consultative process was submitted by 30 September 1986 for ministerial consideration.

Disposition

The Commission will announce details of the public process to consider issues related to the level of MTS/WATS rates in due course.

Reference Document

Telecom Decision 85-19.

NorthwesTel and Terra Nova Tel - Multiline and Data Terminal Equipment Market 778 CRTC - 87

Current Status

NorthwesTel and Terra Nova Tel filed applications with the Commission on 21 and 22 May 1986, requesting that, with regard to multiline and data terminal equipment, they receive treatment similar to that of Bell and B.C.Tel.

Dispositon

The Commission will make its final determinations after considering comments received in response to its public notice.

Reference Documents

Telecom Public Notice 1986-43 and Telecom Decision CRTC 86-5.

CNCP Telecommunications - Exemption from Certain Regulatory Requirement 779 CRTC - 87

Current Status

On 10 September 1986, CNCP applied to the Commission for orders exempting CNCP from filing tariffs for its offerings and from Cost Inquiry Phase III requirements.

Disposition

Following its consideration of the record of the proceeding, the Commission will make its decision.

Reference Document

Telecom Public Notice 1986-64.

Bell Canada - Review of 1985-1987 Revenue Requirements 780 CRTC - 87

On 4 September 1984, Bell advised the Commission of its intention to file an application for a general rate increase on 4 June 1985, anticipating a hearing in September 1985 with rates to be effective 1 January 1986. At the same time, Bell applied to the Commission for interim increases in rates to come into effect on 1 January 1985. On 19 December 1984, the Commission issued its decision granting the company an interim increase of 2 per cent.

On 20 March 1985, Bell advised the Commission that, due to an improved revenue forecast, it no longer required a general increase in rates to be effective 1 January 1986 and it requested that the hearing be scheduled for May 1986. Bell also requested that the 2 per cent interim increase be granted final approval. On 16 April 1985, the Commission announced that, through its Directions on Procedure, it had postponed the filing of Bell's application to 10 February 1986 and scheduled the proposed central hearing for 27 May 1986. On 16 August 1985, the Commission also issued its decision suspending the 2 per cent interim increase, effective 1 September 1985, due to the improving trend in Bell's financial performance.

On 14 January 1986, following a request for a two-week postponement by Bell, the Commission issued another public notice to amend its Directions on Procedure. The amendments changed the filing date for Bell's Memoranda of Support to 24 February 1986 and the central hearing to 2 June 1986.

After considering the record of the proceeding, which included a six-week oral public hearing, the Commission determined that, for 1985 and 1986, Bell had earned revenues in excess of requirements, amounting to $206 million, and it directed Bell to credit this to customers. Regarding 1987, the Commission reduced Bell's proposed revenue requirements by over $230 million and directed Bell to reduce its rates, primarily, Bell was directed to reduce message toll rates, for business day traffic within its territory, by 20 per cent.

Bell Canada has launched an appeal in the Federal Court of Canada regarding the part of the decision dealing with the $206 million rebate as a result of excess revenues earned in 1985 and 1986.

The Commission is considering a request from Bell Canada to review and vary the decision to increase the 1987 revenue requirement by $25.8 million and to raise the lower limit of the permissible range for the 1987 rate of return on common equity from 12.25 per cent to 12.75 per cent (approved range was 12.25 percent to 13.25 per cent with rates set to earn 12.75 per cent.

Reference Documents

Telecom Public Notices 1985-85 and 1986-1; and Telecom Decisions 84-28, 85-18 and 86-17.

Other Major Applications

Rate Cases **781 CRTC - 87**

Current Status

On 2 September 1986, NorthwesTel applied to the Commission for a general increase in rates to be effective 1 March 1987. NorthesTel proposed rate increases for a number of services including 9 per cent for business and residence access services. No increases were proposed for message toll service rates.

Disposition

The Commission expects to issue its decision early in 1987.

Rate Cases-Follow-Up **782 CRTC - 87**

Following the completion of several rate increase cases, the Commission has instituted separate ongoing follow-up proceedings. The function of these proceedings is to provide parties to the case who have a continuing interest in its outcome with a means of monitoring the implementation of various aspects of the Commission's decision. At the present time, there are active follow-up proceedings in place for the following rate case decisions: Telecom Decisions CRTC 81-3, 82-5, 83-8, 84-9, 84-17, 84-20, 85-8, 85-23, 85-28 and 86-17.

Cost Inquiry - Phase III Implementation **783 CRTC - 87**

Current Status

On 25 June 1985, the Commission issued its decision on Phase III of the Cost Inquiry, which established the appropriate costing methodologies for existing services. This decision also set out the procedure for implementing Phase III.

Accordingly, on 25 October 1985 the carriers submitted the requested reports to the Commission to provide more information about the proposed implementation of each company's approved costing approach.

Pursuant to the Commission's decision on Bell's and B.C. Tel's participation in the multiline and data terminal market, Bell and B.C. Tel, on 21 April 1986, filed with the Commission respective approaches to costing in this area.

Following a review of these reports, the Commission issued Telecom Order CRTC 86-516 on 28 August 1986, requiring Bell and B.C. Tel to file, by 30 September 1987, Phase III Manuals for approval by the Commission together with an initial set of results for the calendar year 1986.

Also on 28 August 1986, the Commission invited comments on the Bell and B.C. Tel Manuals and on a proposal for up-dating them.

Dispositon

The Commission expects to issue similar orders requiring Terra Nova Tel, NorthwesTel and Telesat to file complete Phase III costing manuals, together with an initial set of results for the most recent calendar year, in the near future. Whether the Commission issues such orders to CNCP will depend on the Commission's decision in the proceedings on exemption of CNCP from certain regulatory requirements.

Following consideration of comments and replies about the Bell and B.C. Tel Manuals and procedures for updating them, the Commission will make its final determination.

Reference Documents

Telecom Public Notices 1981-41, 1982-4, 1982-5, 1982-38, 1984-22, 1984-42, and 1986-54; and Telecom Decisions 82-2, 82-8, 85-10 and 86-5.

B.C. Tel's Application to Review and Vary Telecom Decision CRTC 86-5 784 CRTC - 87

Current Status

On 14 October 1986, B.C. Tel applied to the Commission to review and vary its 20 March 1986 decision on the participation of Bell and B.C. Tel in the multiline and data terminal equipment market. In particular, B.C. Tel requested that the costs associated with the net embedded investment in inside wiring be excluded from the causal costs that are to be recovered by the competitive terminal - multiline and data category.

Disposition

The Commission intends to commence a public proceeding to deal with this matter.

Reference Documents

Telecom Public Notices 1984-66 and 1985-34; and Telecom Decisions 82-14 and 86-5.

Continuing Matters **785 CRTC - 87**

Construction Program Review

The Commission conducts periodic construction program reviews of the federally regulated common carriers. The purpose of the reviews is to provide an opportunity to explore carrier expenditure plans for plant and equipment. Depending on circumstances, a construction program review may be undertaken as part of a general rate proceeding or it may be conducted as a separate proceeding.

Quality of Service **786 CRTC - 87**

The Commission monitors quality of service results of the federally regulated common carriers through the use of quarterly reports prepared and submitted by the carriers in accordance with criteria established by the Commission. Reports on various methodological issues are also submitted. In addition, the Commission monitors carriers' plans for an development of performance standards in accordance with the Commission's objectives.

CANADIAN TRANSPORT COMMISSION

Roles and Responsibilities

The Canadian Transport Commission (CTC) was established by the National Transportation Act on September 19, 1967. It regulates transportation in Canada that is under federal jurisdiction.

The Commission succeeded and absorbed the Board of Transport Commissioners for Canada, the Air Transport Board, and the Canadian Maritime Commission. A Western Division was set up in Saskatoon in 1979.

Its objective is to promote the coordination and harmonization of all operations by carriers engaged in transport under federal jurisdiction through effective economic regulation, research and participation in policy development and, in respect of rail, to foster optimum development of safety regulations consistent with the public interest.

The primary objective of the Commission is set out in section 3 of the National Transportation Act:

> "...an economic, efficient and adequate transportation system making the best use of all available modes of transportation at the lowest total costs is essential to protect the interests of the users of transportation and to maintain the economic well-being and growth of Canada..."

It performs all the functions vested in it by the National Transportation Act, the Railway Act, the Aeronautics Act, the Transport Act and other statutes. It is a court of record and its decisions, though binding, are subject to review by its own Review Committee, and/or appeal: to the Federal Court of Canada on questions of law or jurisdiction; to the Minister of Transport from a final decison of the Commission with respect to an application for (a) a licence under the Aeronautics Act to operate a commerical air service, (b) a licence under the National Transportation Act to operate a motor vehicle undertaking, (c) a licence under the Transport Act to engage in transport by water, or (d) a certificate of public convenience and necessity under the National Transportation Act in respect of a commodity pipeline; to the Governor in Council in all cases.

The powers and duties of the Commission are divided among its seven Committees and two branches. Five of these Committees regulate the different transport modes: air, rail, motor vehicle, water and commodity pipeline. The two other Committees deal with review and appeals and with international transport policy. The two branches handle research, as well as traffic and tariff questions.

Railway Transport Committee

Duties and Powers: Jurisdiction over railways, railway companies or persons having authority to construct or operate a railway.

- National Tranportation Act, sections 5, 22, 23, 27 and 63
- Railway Act
- Government Railways Act
- Maritime Freight Rates Act
- National Energy Board Act
- Railway Relocation and Crossing Act
- Canadian National Railways Act
- Transport Act, Part IV
- Energy Supplies Emergency Act, 1979, section 25
- Western Grain Transportation Act

Air Transport Committee

Duties and Powers: Jurisdiction over air carriers operating commercial air services.

- National Transportation Act, sections 5, 22, 23, 27 and 63
- Aeronautics Act, Part II

Water Transport Committee

Duties and Powers: Jurisdiction over transportation of goods and passengers by ship in selected geographical areas.

- National Transportation Act, sections 5, 22, 23, 27 and 63
- St. Lawrence Seaway Authority Act, section 16
- Transport Act (except Part IV)
- Coasting Trade Exemption Regulations, Canada Shipping Act (Part XV), National Transportation Act, section 22(3)(b)
- Shipping Conferences Exemption Act
- Pilotage Act, section 23
- Energy Supplies Emergency Act, 1979, section 27

Motor Vehicle Transport Committee

Duties and Powers: Jurisdiction over interprovincial transportation of goods or passengers by truck or bus.

- National Tranportation Act, sections 5, 22, 23, 27 and 63
- National Transportation Act, Part III
- Lord's Day Act
- Atlantic Region Freight Assistance Act

Commodity Pipeline Transport Committee

Duties and Powers: Jurisdiction over commodity pipelines and combined pipelines.

- National Tranportation Act, sections 5, 22, 23, 27 and 63
- National Transportation Act, Part II
- National Energy Board Act

Review Committee

Duties and Powers: Upon application, it reviews orders and decisions of modal Committees.

- National Transportation Act, sections 24(4) and 63

Research Branch

Duties and Powers: It is charged with the superintendence of programs and study and research necessary to achieve the objectives of section 3 of the National Transportation Act.

- National Transportation Act, sections 3, 7(4) and 22.

CANADIAN TRANSPORT COMMISSION (CTC)
AIR TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

MAJOR INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **787 CTC - A 87**

787. Amendment of Air Carrier Regulations, C.R.C., C.3, as amended, to reduce and simplify financial fitness requirements as they apply to Canadian air carriers.

Description

In light of the government's stated intention to place greater reliance on competition and market forces, it is proposed to change the financial fitness policy of the Air Transport Committee of the Canadian Transport Commission as it applies to Canadian air carriers. These changes are directed towards the reduction of financial fitness requirements concerning working capital ratio, aircraft ownership and equity requirements.

Under the present policy, proposed Canadian air carriers, expanding Canadian air carriers and Canadian air carriers effecting transactions that fall under sections 21 and 22 of the Air Carrier Regulations need to have a working capital ratio of at least one to one or alternatively a line of credit or funds at their disposal which, if utilized, would produce a one to one working capital ratio. It is proposed that this requirement be eliminated.

The present policy requires Canadian air carriers to own with a 25 per cent equity, or capital lease at least one aircraft in each weight group category as established by subsection 4(1) of the Air Carrier Regulations for which they hold one or more licences. The need to own or capital lease at least one aircraft in each weight group category will no longer apply; Canadian air carriers will be able to operationally lease, capital lease or purchase aircraft, with or without equity, for commercial air service use, as they deem appropriate under the circumstances. Under the new policy it will be necessary for proposed Canadian air carriers and Canadian air carriers expanding into additional weight group categories of aircraft to submit proof to the Committee of commitment to one aircraft per weight group category. This is intended to ensure that applicants have taken possession of aircraft prior to the issuance of new or amended licence documents. This requirement will help to eliminate the promulgation of licences for commercial air services which may not be operated for extended periods of time.

At the present time, proposed Canadian air carriers, expanding air carriers proposing to operate additional commercial air services and Canadian air services effecting transactions that fall under sections 21 and 22 of the Air Carrier Regulations need to meet the Committee's equity requirement prior to the issuance of new or amended licence documents. Under the new policy, the equity requirements need only be complied with by proposed Canadian air carriers intending to operate new commercial air services or existing commercial air services pursuant to a lease or transfer transaction falling under sections 21 and 22 of the Air Carrier Regulations. Existing Canadian air carriers wishing to operate additional commercial air services will no longer be subject to the Committee's equity requirement. The 25 per cent equity requirement on new entrants will ensure that applicants have made a commitment to business and are financially viable at the commencement of operations.

As a result of these changes, it is proposed that the Committee's equity requirement be modified for new entrants proposing to acquire all aircraft in a weight group category for commercial air service use by way of operating leases; this group of entrants will need to make an equity commitment augmented by the estimated market value of at least one operating leased aircraft per weight group category.

The Committee will continue to request incorporation documents, partnership agreements and registrations of firm names to ensure that proposed air carriers are legally constituted and to verify that proposed Canadian air carriers comply with departures from its financial fitness tests if it is shown that financial hardship would result if the carrier had to comply with the requirements and if it is demonstrated that the exemption is in the public interest.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 14(1) of the Aeronautics Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. A-3, as amended.

Anticipated Impact

The proposal will reduce the requirements associated with establishing Canadian air carriers.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Spring 1987.

Contact

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MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal 788 CTC - B 87

788. Amendment of Air Carrier Regulations, C.R.C., C.3, as amended, to update statistical reporting requirements for Level I and foreign scheduled carriers.

Description

Statistical reporting requirements are outdated for Level I and foreign scheduled air carriers and editorial changes are required. It is therefore proposed to amend sections 120.1, 145, 146, 147, 148 as well as Schedules X and X.1 of the regulations to specify volumes of traffic in imperial units, to change the reporting requirements for Level I and foreign air carriers, and to correct the French translation of some provisions. This matter is now under discussion with the Privy Council Office for conformity with the Statutory Instruments Act.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 14(1) of the Aeronautics Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. A-3, as amended.

Anticipated Impact

N/A.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Winter 1987.

Contact

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Title of Proposal 789 CTC - B 87

789. Amendment of the Air Carrier Regulations, C.R.C., C.3, as amended, to delete the weight group restrictions now contained in subsection 96(2) relating to Advance Booking Charter (domestic) services.

Description

In the interest of increasing flexibility and of encouraging competition, the Air Transport Committee proposes to amend subsection 96(2) of the Air Carrier Regulations by deleting the weight group restriction now contained in that subsection so as to allow up to one-third of the seating capacity of any size of aircraft, including Groups A to E aircraft, engaged in an Advance Booking Charter (domestic) to be contracted for sale to the public not later than the time of departure of the outbound portion of that charter at its point of origin.

Statutory Authority
Subsection 14(1) of the Aeronautics Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. A-3, as amended.

Anticipated Impact
This amendment will grant greater flexibility to operators of small aircraft engaged in Advance Booking Charter (domestic) activity.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Winter 1987.

Contact
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Title of Proposal **790 CTC - B 87**

790. Amendment of Air Carrier Regulations, C.R.C., C.3, as amended, to create tariff provisions which give tariff reductions for disabled persons and their attendants.

Description
Airline tariffs impose charges for the transportation of certain handicapped persons and/or attendants, and the regulations do not contain tariff provisions that state that full or partial payment of an air fare is not required for (1) an attendant required by an air carrier's tariff to accompany a disabled persons; (2) the use of more than one seat by a disabled person; or (3) the use of an additional seat for the carriage of a person who, due to his/her obesity or abnormal physical dimensions, requires more than one seat. It is proposed to amend the regulations to include such tariff provisions. Submissions received following the "Request for Submissions Respecting the Carriage of Disabled and Handicapped Travellers by Domestic Air Carriers" and other relevant material have been considered by the special panel constituted to conduct that review.

Statutory Authority
Subsection 14(1) of the Aeronautics Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. A-3, as amended.

Anticipated Impact

N/A.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Winter 1987.

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Title of Proposal **791 CTC - B 87**

791. Amendment of Air Carrier Regulations, C.R.C., C.3, as amended, to implement Air Transport Committee's recommendation concerning paperwork requirements associated with the operation of Advance Booking Charters, Inclusive Tour Charters and Common Purpose Charters.

Description

It is proposed to undertake implementation of the Air Transport Committee's recommendation, contained in the "Summary Report of the Air Transport Committee of the Canadian Transport Commission on the Adequacy of Air Services in Northern and Remote Areas", concerning an examination of the extensive paperwork requirements associated with the operation of Advance Booking Charters and Inclusive Tour Charters. It is therefore proposed to amend sections 33 and 50 of the Regulations to eliminate or substantially curtail the circumstances under which air carriers are required to file certain documents in repsect of the operation of Advance Booking Charters, Inclusive Tour Charters and Common Purpose Charters. This proposal is now under discussion with the Privy Council Office for conformity with the Statutory Instruments Act.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 14(1) of the Aeronautics Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. A-3, as amended.

Anticipated Impact

This proposal will reduce the paperwork requirements associated with the operation of Advance Booking Charters, Inclusive Tour Charters and Common Purpose Charters.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Winter 1987.

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Title of Proposal **792 CTC - B 87**

792. Amendment of Air Carrier Regulations, C.R.C., C.3, as amended, to clarify the Air Transport Committee's requirements with respect to the use of aircraft during an emergency.

Description

This amendment would clarify the Committee's requirements with respect to the use of aircraft during an emergency and the exemption of certain air carriers from the requirement to hold an operating certificate. It is therefore proposed to amend sections 10, 12, 13, 14, 14.1, 17 and 20 of the Regulations to define "emergency", to exempt owners or operators of privately registered aircraft, or air carriers that do not have an appropriate licence, from the requirement to hold a commercial air service licence to respond to an emergency situation and, for those air carriers not currently required to hold a licence, to add the exemption from the requirement to hold an operating certificate. As the result of recent amendments to the Aeronautics Act, the proposed changes to the Regulations in respect of exempting carriers from the requirement to hold an operating certificate are now ultra vires. Thus, only amendments to sections 10, 13 and 20 of the Regulations are now under discussion with the Privy Council Office for conformity with the Statutory Instruments Act.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 14(1) of the Aeronautics Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. A-3, as amended.

Anticipated Impact

N/A.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Winter 1987.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **793 CTC - B 87**

793. Amendment of Air Carrier Regulations, C.R.C., C. 3, as amended, to limit route protection to those Class 1 and 2 routes in southern Canada for which the unit toll carrier is able to demonstrate that continued protection is required by the public interest.

Description

This amendment would establish a requirement to limit route protection to those Class 1 and 2 routes in Southern Canada for which he unit toll carrier is able to demonstrate that continued protection is required by the public interest. It is therefore proposed tc add a new subsection 29(6) and a Schedule XV to the Regulations to exempt Class 4 carriers from complying with the Route Protection Conditions set out in their charter licences in respect of the carriage of traffic between points on Class 1 and 2 routes in Southern Canada, except for those city pairs listed in Schedule XV. The proposal is now under examination by the Privy Council Coffice with the Statutory Instruments Act.

Statutory Authority

Subsection 14(1) of the Aeronautics Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. A-3, as amended.

Anticipated Impact

This proposal will increase competition among air carriers and reduce regulatory constraints on airline flexibility.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Winter 1987.

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Title of Proposal **794 CTC - B 87**

794. Amendment of Air Carrier Regulations, C.R.C., C. 3, as amended, to exempt parachute jumping operators from the requirement to carry liability insurance covering injury to or death of passengers.

Description

As a result of the unavailability of passenger liability insurance coverage for parachutists whilst riding in an aircraft, an amendment is proposed to exempt parachute jumping operators from the requirement to carry liability insurance covering injury to or death of passengers. It is therefore proposed to amend section 17 of the Regulations to exempt parachute jumping operators from the requirement to carry passenger liability insurance in accordance with the Regulations if a certain notice is posted. This proposal is now under discussion with the

Privy Council Office for conformity with the Statutory Instruments Act.

Statutory Authority
Subsection 14(1) of the Aeronautics Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. A-3, as amended.

Anticipated Impact
N/A.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Winter 1987.

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ROUTINE INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **795 CTC - C 87**
795. Amendment of Air Carrier Regulations, C.R.C., C. 3, as amended, to remove procedural requirements of the Regulations rendered redundant by certain changes to the Air Transport Committee's requirements concerning filing of commercial licence applications and amendments.

Description
In light of certain changes to the Air Transport Committee's requirements concerning filing of applications for a licence to operate a commercial air service or for amendment to such a licence, that are reflected in the General Rules, some procedural provisions of the Regulations are now redundant. It is therefore proposed to amend sections 8 and 159 of the Regulations to remove the relevant procedural requirements from the Regulations that are provided for in the General Rules, and to include a provision requiring compliance with the General Rules by carriers. This proposal is now under consideration by the Privy Council Office for conformity with the Statutory Instruments Act.

Statutory Authority
Subsection 14(1) of the Aeronautics Act, R.S.C. 1970, c. A-3, as amended.

Anticipated Impact
N/A.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Autumn 1986.

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RAILWAY TRANSPORT COMMITTEE

MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **796 CTC - B 87**

796. Railway Freight Car Minimum Inspection and Safety Standards.

Description

There were certain requirements with respect to the inspection of freight cars among recommendatins of the Commission's Show Cause Hearing on Railway Safety and the Report and Recommendations to the RTC with regard to the McGregor Inquiry. Proposed new regulations are presently being scrutinized by the Privy Council Office.

Statutory Authority

National Transportation Act, sections 46 and 63
Railway Act, section 227.

Anticipated Impact

The economic impact will be minimal while improving public safety.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **797 CTC - B 87**

797. General Order No. 0-9 - Revision Railway Vision and Hearing Examination Regulations, CRC, c.1173.

Description

By the process of public hearings, the Commission is revising present regulations CRC, c.1173, utilizing new technology to correct deficiencies in procedures, methods and practices.

Statutory Authority
National Transportation Act, subsection 46(2)
Railway Act, section 227.

Anticipated Impact
The economic impact will be minimal while providing improved social benefits related to public safety.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication
Spring 1987.

Contact
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Title of Proposal **798 CTC - B 87**
798. Train Air Brakes Regulations (No. 0-20, CRC, c.1179).

Description
The present Regulations and standing instructions of the railways are deficient in the matter of procedures, methods and practices. The Commission proposed to revise the existing regulations to make them reflect current Canadian Transport Commission requirements for the operation, inspection, testing and operation of train air brakes.

Statutory Authority
National Transportation Act, sections 46 and 63
Railway Act, section 227.

Anticipated Impact
The anticipated economic impact is considered to be minor while realizing an improvement to the safety of employees and the public.

Contact
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Title of Proposal **799 CTC - B 87**
799. Operating Employees Safety and Health Regulations.

Description
On May 11, 1983 the Commission approved the present Operating Employees Safety and Health Regulations. Subsequently, there were discussions on the subject of Occupational Health and Safety Regulations involving the Canadian Transport Commission and the Department of Labour

to determine the necessary co-ordination of activities with respect to the Canada Labour Code, Part IV. A new comprehensive Occupational Safety and Health Regulations has been developed jointly by the Department of Labour and the Canadian Transport Commission for consideration by interested parties.

Statutory Authority

National Transportation Act, section 46
Railway Act, section 227.

Anticipated Impact

The anticipated economic impact will be minimal, while safety standards and practices in the railway environment will improve.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **800 CTC - B 87**

800. Regulations No. 0-8, Uniform Code of Operating Rules, CRC, c.1172.

Description

The Commission is revising present regulations CRC, c.1172, utilizing technology now available to improve procedures, methods and practices on railroads.

Statutory Authority

National Transportation Act, sections 46 and 63
Railway Act, section 227.

Anticipated Impact

The economic impact is considered minimal while providing improved benefits related to public safety.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **801 CTC - B 87**

801. Regulations Respecting the Notification, Reporting, Recording, Audit and Investigation of Accidents and Incidents occurring upon the Railway.

Description

The Commission is revising existing regulations (No. 0-1) CRC, c.1164, to more adequately define what constitutes a reportable incident coincident with updating of terminology to reflect usage of new technology.

Statutory Authority

National Transportation Act, sections 46 and 63
Railway Act, section 227.

Anticipated Impact

The economic impact of this revised regulation will be minimal. Improved reporting practices and record analysis will result in increased safety for the travelling public.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Draft regulation to be placed on agenda of Railway Safety Advisory Committee in Spring 1987.

Contact

John O'Hara, Secretary, Railway Transport Committee,
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Title of Proposal **802 CTC - B 87**

802. Railway Highway Crossing at Grade Regulations (No. E-04
CRC, c.1184) CTC 1980-8 Rail (amendment)
CTC 1984-8 Rail (amendment)

Description

Areas of activity where there is a need for clarification have been identified and revised regulations are being progressed for approval of the Railway Transport Committee.

Statutory Authority

National Transportation Act, sections 46 and 63
Railway Act, section 227.

Anticipated Impact

There will not be any potential impact requiring analysis.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **803 CTC - B 87**

803. Highway Crossings Protective Devices Regulations (No. E-06, CRC, c.1184).

Description

In certain areas of application there is a need for clarification. The present Regulations have been revised and are currently under joint review by the Privy Council Office and RTC staff.

Statutory Authority

National Transportation Act, section 46
Railway Act, section 227.

Anticipated Impact

Any potential impact will be minimal.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **804 CTC - B 87**

804. Railway Signal Systems Regulations.

Description

Consideration is being given to developing a revision to existing regulations that will make them compatible with the current requirements of the Canadian Transport Commission. The proposed regulations will replace the Railway Interlocking Systems Regulations (No. E-13) CRC, c.1194.

Statutory Authority

National Transportation Act, sections 46 and 63
Railway Act, section 227.

Anticipated Impact

There will be no economic impact requiring analysis. Incorporating the use of new technology will result in increased safety for the travelling public.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **805 CTC - B 87**

805. Railway Clearances Regulations (No. E-02) CRC, c.1189.

Description

The Commission considers there is a need to identify changes to certain clearance requirements, and to convert measurements to metric equivalents.

Statutory Authority

National Transportation Act, sections 46 and 63
Railway Act, section 227.

Anticipated Impact

There should not be any potential impact requiring analysis.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Pre-publication in early 1987.

Contact

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Ottawa, Ontario. K1A 0N9. Tel: (819) 997-7046.

Title of Proposal **806 CTC - B 87**

806. Pipe crossings under Railways Regulations (No. E-10) CRC, c.1187.

Description

A revision has been developed and it is proposed to incorporate the new Canadian Standards Association Standard CAN3- C22.3 No. 7-M86 entitled "Underground Systems". This enables the Commission to utilize the benefits of new technology.

Statutory Authority

National Transportation Act, sections 46 and 63
Railway Act, section 227.

Anticipated Impact

The economic impact from the revision will be minimal. The use of new technology will benefit the travelling public by increasing their safety.

Contact

John O'Hara, Secretary, Railway Transport Committee,
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Title of Proposal **807 CTC - B 87**

807. Railway Engine Bell and Whistle Regulations (No. 0-25) CRC, c.1166.

Description

Locomotive crews have complaned of locomotive cab noise levels when the locomotive whistle is mounted on the cab roof. A revision to the existing regulation is being developed to provide for relocation of the whistle while retaining an acceptable warning sound level in advance of the locomotive.

Statutory Authority

National Transportation Act, sections 46 and 63
Railway Act, section 227.

Anticipated Impact

The financial impact will be minimal while providing for a more positive level of safety to the public.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Fall 1987.

Contact

John O'Hara, Secretary, Railway Transport Committee,
Ottawa, Ontario. K1A 0N9. Tel: (819) 997-7046.

Title of Proposal **808 CTC - B 87**

808. Amendment to Railway Motive Power Equipment Regulations (No. 0-21) CRC, c.1169.

Description

The safety appliance requirements for motive power units in the Railway Safety Appliance Regulations (CRC, c.1171, No. 0-10) are inadequate with respect to diesel motive power requirements. The Commission is proposing an amendment to the existing regulations that will make them more compatible with present motive power requirements. The amendment is presently being scrutinized by the Privy Council Office.

Statutory Authority

National Transportation Act, sections 46 and 63
Railway Act, section 227.

Anticipated Impact

The economic impact will be minimal. Railway employees will realize improved safety conditions.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Winter 1986.

Contact

John O'Hara, Secretary, Railway Transport Committee,
Ottawa, Ontario. K1A 0N9. Tel: (819) 997-7046.

Title of Proposal **809 CTC - B 87**

809. Amendment to Railway Safety Appliance Standards Regulations (No. 0-10) CRC, c.1171.

Description

At present, the safety appliance requirements for diesel locomotives are combined with those for obsolete steam locomotives and do not properly reflect modern motive power requirements. In addition, it is considered desirable to include these requirements in the Railway Motive Power Equipment Regulations (CRC, c.1169, No. 0-21) to form an all encompassing regulation for diesel locomotive equipment.

Statutory Authority

National Transportation Act, sections 46 and 63
Railway Act, section 227.

Anticipated Impact

The economic and social impact will be minimal.

Contact

John O'Hara, Secretary, Railway Transport Committee,
Ottawa, Ontario. K1A 0N9. Tel: (819) 997-7046.

Title of Proposal **810 CTC - B 87**

810. Railway Passenger Car Minimum Inspection, Safety and Design Standards.

Description

Past experience arising from passenger train incidents indicates a requirement for safety related regulations respecting passenger car equipment. The Commission is considering regulations that will provide for improved safety for the travelling public.

Statutory Authority

National Transportation Act, section 46
Railway Act, section 227.

Anticipated Impact

The potential economic impact will be minimal while providing both social and economic benefits related to public safety.

Contact

John O'Hara, Secretary, Railway Transport Committee,
Ottawa, Ontario. K1A 0N9. Tel: (819) 997-7046.

Title of Proposal **811 CTC - B 87**

811. Directive - Preparation of Accounts (Railway Relocation and Crossing Act and Maintenance).

Description

The existing directive does not clarify the agreement for the preparation of accounts for maintenance work. The Railway Transport Committee is considering the issuance of a revision to the existing directive that would:

a) incorporate the requirements of the Road Authority Accounts Regulations (CRC, c.1177) and the Public Utility Relocation Accounting Relocation (CRC, c.1188);

b) eliminate inconsistencies for the preparation of accounts arising from the existing directive and the requirements of CRC, c.1177 and CRC, c.1188.

Statutory Authority

National Transportation Act, section 46
Railway Act, section 227.

Anticipated Impact

Any anticipated social or economic impact will be minimal and will not require analysis.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Pre-publication is expected to be early in 1987.

Contact

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Title of Proposal **812 CTC - B 87**

812. Railway Grade Separation Regulations (No. E-5 CRC, c.1191).

Description

The Commission is revising the existing cost apportionment section of these Regulations.

Statutory Authority

National Transportation Act, sections 46 and 63
Railway Act, section 227.

Anticipated Impact

No economic impact analysis should be required. A more appropriate distribution of costs will be realized.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Presently under negotiation with the provinces and railways with pre-publication expected in early 1987.

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Title of Proposal **813 CTC - B 87**

813. Navigable Waters Railway Bridges Regulations, (No. E-15), CRC, c.1186.

Description

There is a requirement to delete from existing Regulations, all matters pertinent to the Canadian Coast Guard. A draft revision has been discussed with the Railway Safety Advisory Committee, and is now to be discussed with the Ministry of Transport, Coast Guard. The revised Regulations will relate only to railway operations.

Statutory Authority

National Transportation Act, section 46
Railway Act, section 227.

Anticipated Impact

Any potential impact will be minimal.

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Title of Proposal **814 CTC - B 87**

814. Railway Communication Regulations.

Description

As a result of the Commission's MacGregor Inquiry into Safety on the Railways, the Commission is considering promulgation of regulations requiring universal usage of point-to-train radio systems which enable exchanges of vital information between train dispatching offices and train crew personnel.

Statutory Authority

National Transportation Act, section 46
Railway Act, section 227.

Anticipated Impact

The economic impact will be minimal, with improved communications promoting safety of train operation.

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Title of Proposal **815 CTC - B 87**

815. Regulations Respecting Application, Maintenance and Handling of Locomotive Event Recorders.

Description

Past experience arising from certain freight and passenger train accidents indicates a requirement for universal usage of locomotive event recorders as a train operation monitoring device and accident investigative tool. The Commission is considering regulations that will provide for improved safety gained by more effective monitoring of train operations.

Statutory Authority

National Transportation Act, section 46
Railway Act, section 227.

Anticipated Impact

The social and economic impact will be reviewed following further investigation of associated costs and effects of any ensuing regulations.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Late 1986.

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Title of Proposal **816 CTC - B 87**

816. Regulations Respecting Advanced Train Control Systems.

Description

The Commission is considering the issuance of regulations to incorporate the use of new technology being developed by the railroads.

Statutory Authority

National Transportation Act, sections 46 and 63
Railway Act, section 227.

Anticipated Impact

The economic impact is considred minimal while providing improved social benefits related to public safety.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Late 1986 or early 1987.

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Title of Proposal **817 CTC - B 87**

817. Railway Safety Glazing Regulations (CTC 1982-9 Rail)

Description

The Standing Joint Committee of the Senate and the House of Commons has requested clarification of certain phraseology in the existing Regulations. The Committee is developing an amendment to the existing Regulations for referral to the Railway Transport Committee.

Statutory Authority

National Transportation Act, sections 46 and 63
Railway Act, section 227.

Anticipated Impact

There will be no social or economic impact.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Fall 1986.

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Title of Proposal **818 CTC - B 87**

818. Electric Sparks Prevention Regulations (No. E-16) CRC, c.1181.

Description

The existing regulations include coverage of locomotive fuelling facilities and it has been determined that these facilities should not be regulated. The Commission is considering promulgation of an amendment to the existing Regulations.

Statutory Authority

National Transportation Act, sections 46 and 63
Railway Act, section 227.

Anticipated Impact

Any impact will be minimal.

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Title of Proposal **819 CTC - B 87**

819. Regulations Respecting Vibration Resulting from Train Operations.

Description

The Commission is considering regulations may be necessary respecting environmental problems arising from railway operations. A feasibility study on developing the necessary criteria for such regulations has been prepared and will be presented to the Railway Safety Advisory Committee at the Fall 1986 meeting.

Statutory Authority

National Transportation Act, section 46
Railway Act, section 227.

Anticipated Impact

There could be appreciable impact on the future design criteria for buildings to be constructed on lands adjacent to a Railway.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Fall 1986 meeting of the Railway Safety Advisory Committee.

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NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD

Roles and Responsibilities

The National Energy Board was established in June 1959 under the National Energy Board Act. The Board is designated as a department within the meaning and purpose of the Financial Administration Act and reports to Parliament through the Minister of Energy, Mines and Resources.

The main functions of the Board are set forth in the National Energy Board (NEB) Act as amended, the Energy Administration Act (EAA), and the Northern Pipeline Act (NPA).

The Board functions as a quasi-judicial tribunal. It serves as a regulatory enforcement body responsible for the oversight of construction and operation of approved energy projects, and it acts as an administrator of certain programs on behalf of the federal government. The Board regulates the tolls and tariffs of pipeline companies under federal jurisdiction to ensure that the tolls are just and reasonable and not unjustly discriminatory. It also serves as a source of advice to the government on specific policy questions and periodically undertakes studies of various energy issues both on its own initiative and at the request of the responsible Minister. The Board, on its own initiative, may hold inquiries into a particular aspect of the energy situation and prepare reports for the information of the government, of Parliament and of the general public.

In regulating gas, oil and power line facilities the Board must be satisfied that the proposed facilities are required by the present and future public convenience and necessity; it must take into account all such matters which may appear to be relevant. Economic, market, engineering, environmental and socio-economic aspects are among the areas assessed. Any certificates and orders that are issued are subject to such terms and conditions as the Board deems appropriate. Detailed routings of approved facilities are determined in the light of the applicant's proposals and of evidence brought forward.

In the case of pipelines, applications for the required construction approvals are assessed, appropriate orders issued and construction monitored. As well as ensuring compliance with any specific conditions that may apply to the construction and/or operations stages, all pipelines and power lines under the Board's jurisdiction are monitored to ensure that high safety standards are maintained and that adequate measures are taken to protect the environment.

Regulation of Pipeline Tolls and Tariffs involves consideration of the detailed methodology of regulation as appropriate, of the capital and operating costs and of the necessity for an adequate return on investment so that capital can be attracted as needed to maintain and extend service. The Board audits the accounts of pipeline companies and monitors their financial performance.

In regulating exports and imports the Board must have regard to all considerations that appear to it to be relevant. In the case of exports of electric power and gas, the Board's deliberations include consideration of matters such as Canada's reasonably foreseeable requirements, the supply outlook and price. Applications for authorization to import gas are considered in the depth required to protect Canadian interests. Any export or import licences or orders issued are subject to such terms and conditions as are appropriate and performance is monitored.

Public hearings are required by the NEB Act for all applications for certificates of public convenience and necessity, except where exempted (e.g., pipelines of 40 kilometres or less), for long-term licences for export of crude oil, oil products, electricity and natural gas, and applications for major changes in rates, tolls and tariffs. Proceedings before the Board are initiated by filing, with the Secretary of the Board, an application in writing. Following public notice, any person intending to oppose or intervene in any application must file a written statement together with supporting documentation.

Decisions regarding rates, tolls and tariffs of pipeline companies, orders authorizing the export of propane and butane for periods of up to one year and the export of natural gas for periods of up to two years, and oil export orders granted for less than one or two years depending on the type, are issued by the Board without reference to the Governor in Council.

NATIONAL ENERGY BOARD

MAJOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **820 NEB - A 87**
820. Electricity Exports by Order.

Description

It is proposed to increase the limits provided for in regulations permitting the export of electric power by order (i.e. without a public hearing and without the need for Cabinet approval of a licence).

This change will reduce the administrative burden on companies wishing to export power. Experience indicates that the proposed new limits will not affect the ability of Canadian utilities to supply power to Canadian consumers. A draft proposal was circulated for comment in mid-1986 to the electric power industry, provinces, and other interested parties. Replies were generally favourable. It is expected that draft regulations pursuant to the proposal will be circulated in early 1987.

Statutory Authority

National Energy Board Act.

Anticipated Impact

The proposal will reduce the regulatory burden for small electric power exports, without harming Canadian customers. This burden includes the costs of preparing a detailed application, advertising the hearing in regional newspapers, and lawyers' and technical experts' costs preparing for and attending a public hearing.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

The proposal was circulated in mid-1986 for comments. Draft regulations will be available for pre-publication by early 1987.

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Title of Proposal **821 NEB - A 87**
821. Offshore Pipeline Regulations.

Description

These Regulations will cover the safety and environmental protection requirements for the construction, operation, and abandonment of offshore pipelines.

Working in close cooperation with all aspects of the industry and the Canadian Standards Association, the Board has prepared and circulated draft Offshore Pipeline Regulations based upon CSA Standards. These have been developed to cover the eventuality of transportation of oil and/or gas associated with production from Canadian waters, to avoid any regulatory delay (in the absence of such regulations) should industry proceed with development of offshore production.

Statutory Authority

National Energy Board Act.

Anticipated Impact

There will be uniform level of safety and environmental protection to offshore pipelines under NEB jurisdiction. Similar regulations have satisfactorily covered onshore pipelines for 25 years. The Regulations have been, and will be, subject to revision as needed to keep abreast of technological advances and changing circumstances.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

The Regulations have already been made available in draft form for comments. As no projects involving offshore pipelines are expected to be active in 1987, the pre-publication will be carried out approximately mid-1987 with a view to ensuring the Regulations are in place before the end of 1987.

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MINOR INITIATIVES

Title of Proposal **822 NEB - B 87**

822. Revisions to Pipeline Crossing Order Procedures.

Description

These revisions will reduce the administrative requirements associated with the crossing of pipelines by roads, rail, or other utilities.

The NEB approves some 800 to 1,000 orders per year which, after review for safety and other matters, authorize third parties to cross the NEB regulated pipelines. In mid-1986, the Board proposed to the regulated companies and other interested parties that this administrative requirement be reduced in cases where both parties agreed and accepted the Board's standard procedures for safety and environmental protection. Subject to reaction of those consulted, draft regulations may be required to implement these new procedures. If initial reaction to this proposal is favourable, there will be industry/NEB staff liaison during the development of any regulations that may be required. The proposal would come into effect as soon as possible; it is not likely to contain a sunset provision but would be reviewed periodically by the Board to ensure it is accomplishing its purpose.

Statutory Authority

Section 77(2) National Energy Board Act.

Anticipated Impact

There will be a reduced regulatory burden while preserving safety and environmental protection standards. The NEB would retain essentially its current role in those cases where there is any dispute between parties on procedures to follow, or deviations from standards. For routine matters, detailed crossing drawings will not be required by NEB.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Early-to mid-1987.

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Title of Proposal **823 NEB - B 87**

823. Crossing Regulations for International Power Lines.

Description

These Regulations will specify the technical standards which must be met by utilities, roads, or rail crossings of an international power line.

The 1983 revision of the National Energy Board Act made it necessary for the Board to approve all crossings involving international power lines and other utilities. The Board can, however, make regulations prescribing the conditions under which leave of the Board to make such crossings would not be necessary. New regulations are being drafted, specifying the technical standards to which crossings must be built but limiting the involvement of the Board to those cases where an agreement cannot be reached between the parties involved. This will ensure the technical adequacy of crossings while keeping the regulatory burden to a minimum. A draft proposal will be distributed in August 1986 for comments by industry, provinces and other interested parties.

Statutory Authority

National Energy Board Act.

Anticipated Impact

The public will be better informed about the technical and environmental protection standards for crossings of international power lines: regulatory burden will be minimized.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Early 1987.

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ROUTINE INITIATIVE

Title of Proposal **824 NEB - C 87**

824. Changes to Board practices, procedures, onshore pipeline regulations and information requirements.

Description

These changes will streamline the review process and reduce the regulatory burden on industry.

The Board's Rules of Practice and Procedure are revised from time to time. Similarly, the Board maintains a schedule of information requirements for the various types of applications (pipeline construction, toll changes, etc.) under Board jurisdiction. These are subject to review in light of technological changes, experiences, and the need to streamline the review process.

Drafts of proposed changes have been or will be circulated to interested parties (including industry and the provinces) for comments. The proposed changes refer to specific aspects of the Board's procedures and will be brought forth as they are ready. The following changes are expected in 1987: Construction Cost and Financial Information Requirements; Rules of Practice and Procedure; Onshore Pipeline regulations.

Statutory Authority

National Energy Board Act.

Anticipated Impact

The public will be better informed about the Board's practices and procedures; processes will be streamlined.

Anticipated Date of Pre-publication

Ongoing activity throughout 1987; the various parts will become public as they are ready.

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